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Portfolio

£42,000 to be won

There is £42,000 to be won in today's Times Portfolio competition. The weekly prize of £20,000 is doubled because no one won last week, and there is the daily £2,000 prize.

There were three winners yesterday. Mrs Zara Poulton of Stonehouse, Gloucester, Mrs Dawn Barchard of Winchester and Mr Peter Quinlan of Brentwood, Essex each received £1,333. The prize of £4,000 was doubled because there was no winner on Thursday. Portfolio list, page 12; week's prices, Information Service, back page.

Romanian crisis over power

Romania has declared a state of emergency in the power supply industry. The deputy Prime Minister and the Electric Power Minister have been dismissed for "grave failings" and military officers brought in to run key power plants **Page 4**

Union men back secret ballots

Two of the new generation of trade union leaders have given firm support in favour of secret ballots on strikes and the election of officials to alleviate unease over union democracy **Page 2**

Callaghan role

Mr James Callaghan intends taking the role of an international roving "ambassador" *when his 40-year parliamentary career ends with retirement at the next election* **Page 4**

Pound rises

The pound gained 1.3 cents to close at $1.4285 in London after the Chancellor's Mansion House speech

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Prize writers

Young writers who have something to say on the increasingly important subject of money are invited today to enter a competition being organized jointly by *The Times* and Hill Samuel, the City investment advisers. the first prize is £2,500. with £500 and £250 for the runners-up. See page 18 for full details

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More than 600 mourners attended the funeral of Mrs Cynthia Jarrett, the grandmother whose death during a police raid sparked the Tottenham riot **Page 2**

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Heritage circles are watching to see whether and how Mr Peter de Savary is going to sell Littlecote House in Wiltshire, which he has yet to pay for **Page 2**

Global market

The London International Financial Futures Exchange signed a yen bonds agreement which paves the way for the world's first 24-hour global market place **Page 11**

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Nine members of a single family are among France's 20 most wealthy people, with fortunes estimated at £620 million between them **Page 5**

Leyland bid

Leyland Bus intends to resubmit its tender for a £390 million contract to reorganize Bangkok's public transport, rejected after Government backing failed to reach Thai officials in time **Page 4**

Bremner in line

Leeds United, who dismissed their manager Eddie Gray a week ago, look set to replace him with another former player at the club. Billy Bremner, manager of Doncaster Rovers

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Breakaway pits predict victory for new union

By Donald Macintyre and Craig Seton

Leaders of the breakaway from the National Union of Mineworkers were looking forward last night to a decisive victory in the ballot to form a new, rival, union after indications that Nottinghamshire miners had voted by two to one in favour.

Informal soundings taken by branch officials at many of the area's 25 pits at voting continued up to 5pm yesterday *suggested that the area's* 27,000 miners may have supported by a majority of as much as 70 per cent the formation of the new Union of Democratic Mineworkers.

As the sealed ballot boxes were taken by Securicor van from the Nottighamshire area *headquarters in Mansfield to* the offices of the Electoral Reform Society in London for counting this morning, branch officials across the country reported a succession of high turnouts in the pithead ballot. Expectations were that the turnout could be as high as 90 per cent.

Although Nottinghamshire miners' leaders were confidently predicting victory last night, the one remaining area of doubt lay in south Derbyshire, where the turnout was also reportedly high at all four pits and where NUM loyalists continued to hope that a vigorous campaign in recent weeks against the breakaway might have succeeded.

Mr Kevin Richards, a Rawdon miner who resigned earlier this year as the area's president in protest at its executive's decision to join the breakaway, said last night that he thought the voting had been too close to make a prediction.

Mr Ken Toon, the area general secretary, said last night, however, that he was hopeful that South Derbyshire's 3,000 miners had voted in favour of forming the UDM, of which he stands to become the first president.

He said the NUM leadership had made a special effort in the area because it was compact and a "no" vote there could "scupper" the new union.

Under the terms of the amalgamation, each of the three areas voting, Nottinghamshire, South Derbyshire and the small Durham-based Colliery Trades and Allied Workers' Associates, must show a simple majority in favour.

Mr Toon said he had been told that at one of the four collieries, Donisthorpe, there could have been a majority of about 60 per cent in favour of the UDM. "There has been a hell of a fight in South Derbyshire and if we have won it will be democracy at its best."

Although a "no" vote in South Derbyshire would be a *big fillip for Mr Arthur Scargill*, NUM president, and the union's loyalist supporters, Nottinghamshire leaders are certain to argue that it does not affect the breakaway by Nottinghamshire which they say is a fait accompli.

If they do lose South Derbyshire, Nottinghamshire leaders will probably seek to effect a merger between the Durham colliery association and the Nottinghamshire area. *They have been advised that* that would require only a fresh ballot of the association and not of their area.

The Durham-based association's vote, which is postal and will not be announced until Monday, is regarded as a foregone conclusion because the *group is itself a fully fledged* breakaway organization.

The results from the other two areas are due to be announced in Mansfield at 6 pm today by Mr Roy Lynk, the area's general secretary. Mr Lynk would say yesterday only that he had been encouraged by *the "very high" turnout and* indications were that "things are going our way".

Among colleries reporting turnouts of over 90 per cent, at Bevercotes officials claimed that even some former strikers had been voting in favour of the new union, and that a group of *about 30 former strikers had* not voted at all.

Mr Derek Graney, the branch secretary, said he expected a 75 per cent vote for the UDM at the pit. At Ollerton colliery, however, a branch official reported: "It will not be a landslide as Lynk claims. I *reckon it will be 60 to 40 and* there will be a strong loyalist vote here.

Officials at the Cadley Heath and Meesham colleries in South Derbyshire said they were cautiously optimistic of a "yes" vote.



Mrs Moloise giving a black power salute after her son's execution

Thatcher faces retaliation by blacks

From Nicholas Ashford
Nassau

Mrs Thatcher yesterday proposed that the Commonwealth should jointly agree to a "programme for a non-racial South Africa", the main purpose of which would be to promote dialogues between the white authorities and representatives of the black majority.

However, in an eagerly awaited speech during the Commonwealth leaders' debate on South Africa, the Prime Minister reiterated her unbending opposition to economic sanctions against South Africa. No one, she said, would be *prepared to negotiate* "with a gun to his head". The imposition of economic sanctions or even the threat of sanctions would simply enable the South African Government to rally support against foreign interference.

Mrs Thatcher was totally isolated in her opposition to sanctions. All other speakers in the debate on South Africa favoured economic measures as a means of bringing pressure on Pretoria to begin a dialogue with blacks.

Commodore Ebitu Ukiwe, the head of the Nigerian delegation, hinted that some black African states might retaliate against Britain if Mrs Thatcher continued to block a sanctions resolution by the conference.

If Britain was not prepared to take firm action, Africa would have to look to other friends, he said.

In her speech, Mrs Thatcher gave a nod of support to the idea being proposed by Mr Bob Hawke, the Australian Prime Minister, for the establishment of a Commonwealth liaison committee to go South Africa to help to promote a white-black *dialogue*.

But she implicitly rejected another part of the Hawke



Mrs Thatcher and Mr Hawke

plan: that this committee should work to a timetable which, if not met, would trigger the imposition of selective and graduated sanctions.

The leaders will see if they can give substance to the plan *during their retreat* in the exclusive Lyford Cay resort this weekend. It is hoped they will agree on terms of reference for the committee, who its members will be and a date when it will begin its task.

Although Mrs Thatcher expressed her desire to see

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Thousands in riot after Pretoria poet is executed

From Ray Kennedy, Johannesburg

Two policemen were stabbed as thousands of blacks rampaged through central Johannesburg yesterday after a memorial service for Benjamin Moloise, the black poet convicted of killing a security policeman, who was executed shortly after dawn in Pretoria.

It was the first time in more than 12 months of nationwide violence that blacks have rioted in central Johannesburg, and whites fled in terror as groups of young blacks chased them down streets and alleyways.

The hanging of Mr Moloise, aged 30, drew protests and condemnation from around the world. He was hanged despite appeals for clemency to the South African Government, including appeals from the EEC countries, five Nordic governments and the Secretary General of the United Nations.

A last-minute message was sent by the Commonwealth heads of government meeting in Nassau saying: "The humanitarian reasons for the exercise of executive clemency, compelling in themselves, are reinforced by wider considerations of the need for resolution of the problems of South Africa and reconciliation among its people *which has never been more* urgent."

Yesterday's trouble in Johannesburg broke out as about 500 people left Khotso House, headquarters of the South African Council of Churches, after the memorial service for Mr Moloise and were joined by thousands of others waiting outside.

Mr Moloise was convicted of the 1982 killing of a black security policeman in an "execution" ordered by the African National Congress. As he was executed his mother, Mrs Pauline Moloise, and a group of friends chanted the black nationalist anthem, *Nkosi Sikelele Afrika* (God Bless Africa), outside the gates of Pretoria maximum security prison.

Mrs Moloise, aged 55, arrived at the prison just before her son's execution but was refused entry and was told that his body would remain the property of the state and that she would be given a grave number in about a week.

She said afterwards: "Last night was miserable. They (apparently referring to the police) threw tear gas into my home three times and kept on coming back to ask how many people were inside."

Police with dogs kept reporters and television crews 100 yards from the prison gates after warning them that they were trespassing on prison property.

In yesterday's violence, as numerous fights flared up between groups of whites and blacks, residents of flats overlooking the streets in a rundown inner city area of Johannesburg threw bottles and rubbish at the rioters.

A policeman in plain clothes was beaten to the ground as he tried to arrest a youth outside St Mary's Anglican Cathedral. Another white man was left lying senseless in the street after he tried to stop a group of looters. Near the city's main railway station youths dug-up *paving stones and threw them* at police.

They fled when a passer-by drew a firearm. In the station area, railway police with sub-

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Warning by Hurd of 'black tinder'

From Anthony Bevins
Political Correspondent

Mr Douglas Hurd, the Home *Secretary, yesterday warned of* the young black "tinder" which could be sparked into fresh riots.

He told a meeting of the Cambridge Tory Reform Group that the country had to step up its action against racial deprivation and disadvantage, to overcome the tension, fragility and instability of inner city areas such as Brixton, Toxteth and Handsworth.

He is now pressing fellow *ministers for a rigorous review* of the government cash that is being pumped into the flash-point cities.

Mr Hurd said: "The recent riots were disgraceful and criminal. Let up keep that firmly in the front of our minds."

But he then said: "They have also shown once again the tension and fragility which exist in some of our inner cities."

Mr Hurd said in spite of the *£1,500 million which had been* allocated to the Urban Programme over the last four years, in spite of substantial spending on special employment measures, the Government had still not come fully to grips with the inner cities' problems, of which the problem of racial disadvantage was among the most intractable.

He said that it would be inaccurate to call the recent disturbances "race riots", because whites had been involved and because black and Asian property had been attacked and looted.

"But it is undeniable that a substantial amount of the tinder which caught fire on the sparks in the recent incidents were young blacks, suspicious of, and angry with society," he said.

"There is no excuse or justification for the behaviour of young thugs whehter they be black or white, rioters or football hooligans. But the communities concerned lack stability."

He said: "The police must maintain order and tranquility throughout the country, but they cannot be expected to bear the brunt of tackling the broad problems of the inner cities."

Greater confidence had to be built up between the police and all communities; racial attacks had to be stamped out; racial disadvantage and discrimination had to be combated; black opinion had to be brought into the "mainstream of our political process;" and more black policemen and women had to be recruited.

Mr Hurd said that society had adapted over the last 20 years, when there were "colour bars." He said: Mercifully that is well behind us, but we must go faster.

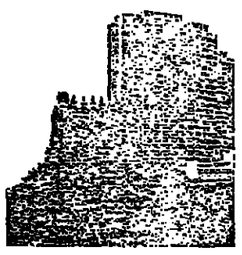
"To say that the level of injustice is less is of little comfort to a young black born and educated in this country. We have come a long way, but *there is still a fair way to go.*"

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Split on moves to end Liverpool crisis

By Colin Hughes, Local Government Correspondent

A *split among national* Labour Party and trade union leaders over tactics to deal with Liverpool's budget crisis is throwing salvage attempts into confusion.

Members of Liverpool's Labour group who do not support Militant Tendency fear *that a plan forged between* Mr David Blunkett, the Sheffield City Council leader, and the Association of Metropolitan Authorities, is being sabotaged by the Labour front bench.

They believe that Mr Neil Kinnock, the Labour leader, and Dr John Cunningham, the environment spokesman, want to delay any attempts to save the council and instead "leave Militant to hang themselves".

Mr John Hamilton, the *Liverpool leader who is this* weekend trying to rally the anti-Militant Broad Left on the council, yesterday stood by his commitment to take up the first proposal that offers a way out of the crisis. We will rescind redundancy notices to staff as soon as efforts to find a solution to Liverpool's problem bear fruit," he said.

The position has been further complicated by the High Court ruling that redundancy notices issued are "*null and void*". *The council is appealing* against the judgment on the grounds that it is based on the principle that Liverpool has set an illegal rate.

The three high court judges will give their reasons in two weeks' time. Mr Derek Hatton the Militant-supporting council deputy leader, said yesterday it *meant funds to pay the* council's 31,000 employees would run out in three weeks.

Meanwhile, the National Union of Teachers and the National Association of Local Government Officers, with 9,000 Liverpool members between them, claim that the council's budget gap is only £13.5 million, half the £27 million claimed.

NUT research by Mr Tony Travers, a local government finance expert at North-East London Polytechnic, suggests capitalization of housing receipts could raise £12 million, and reductions in housing maintenance another £12.8 million, without shedding jobs.

The Labour front bench hopes to persuade the eight national union leaders who will visit Liverpool tomorrow to push for an independent assess*ment of Liverpool's accounts.*

Pentagon extends Aids test

Washington – The Pentagon has decided to test all 2.1 million United States military personnel for acquired immune deficiency syndrome (Aids).

The decision was taken by Mr Caspar Weinberger, the *Defence Secretary, after consul*tation with the secretaries of the Army, Navy and Air Force. The Pentagon had already announced in August that all *future recruits for the services* will be tested, and there have been proposals to test all soldiers sent overseas, after the disclosure that a growing number stationed in West Germany had caught the disease from prostitutes.

The virus, which can be transmitted through the blood, would be especially dangerous in combat, when there might be a need for battlefield blood transfusions.

US forces 'confronted Italians'

From Michael Binyon
Washington

The strain in American relations with Italy has, if anything, worsened over the past two days as revelations here and in Rome point to a *tense confrontation between US* and Italian forces after the American capture of the Palestinian hijackers of the Achille Lauro.

Washington has not denied the accusations by Signor Bettino Craxi, the outgoing Italian Prime Minister, that after the landing in Sicily of the Egyptian plane and the F14 fighters, two US C141 military transports of commandos landed there without Italian *permission to bring the Palesti*nians forcible to the US to stand trial.

Mr Caspar Weinberger, the US Defence Secretary was said to have phoned Signor Spadolini, his Italian counterpart, to tell him of the American action when the Egyptian plane was already on the ground. He demanded US custody of the men, and Signor Spadolini agreed. But in Sicily the Americans had already handed over the Palestinians. "The only alternative was a shootout with our allies." CBS quoted one American source as saying. Signor Spadolini yesterday denied the CBS reports.

Washington is said to have kept its intercept plan secret because the Italians had balked at a mooted rescue of the passengers while on the Achille Lauro. The Reagan Administration has refused to comment on the reports, but confirmed the tense confrontation at the Nato base by saying there was a "*stand-off*" between US and Italian troops.

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MP must pay barrister to say sorry

An attempt by Mr Cyril Smith, Liberal MP for Rochdale to be represented by a solicitor *instead of a barrister* when his apology disposing of a libel action is read in court failed in the High Court in London yesterday.

Mr Smith, aged 57, objected to paying £150 for a barrister to read out his apology in settlement of the action brought by Mr Leo Abse, Labour MP for Torfaen. So he asked Mr Justice Leonard to let his solicitor read the statement at a cost of £25.

The judge said that although he had sympathy with Mr Smith he was not in a position to make such an order. "I *do* not think it is within my power at this stage in histroy to alter established practice in a general way," he said.

The judge said there was clearly some discretion in the court to allow people who are *not barristers to address them.* But, he added: "I do not think I am in a position where I can make a general exception by exercising a general discretion in favour of Mr Smith's solicitor, Mr Alistair Brett, being allowed to read a statement in open court."

It was, however, open to Mr Smith to read the statement himself.

Mr Smith's application to the court was paid for by *The Times* legal department. Mr David Pannick, his counsel, *told the judge that after being* informed it would cost £150 for a barrister, and even £75 for the most junior member of chambers, "Mr Smith took the view there was no good reason why his solicitor should not himself read out his statement *in open court".*

He felt that the reading of such a statement required no advocacy skills. Although it was customary for barristers to do the work it only appeared that way because the matter had no been challenged in the High Court since 1867 when siniilar application was made. But Mr Robert Griffiths, who appeared "as a friend of the court", told the judge the matter was governed by "ancient usage".

He said there were exceptions when it was desirable for people other than barristers to address the court but this was not one of them. The judge said that if there was a general discretion for persons other than barristers to appear this was the type of case because there appeared to be no possibility of severe complications.

The libel action involved an action brought by 25 Labour MPs over comments made by Mr Smith on Radio Trent in 1982 after they had voted against the goverument on the Falklands crisis.

Mr Brett, who is also a solicitor for The Times legal department, said after the hearing that they had paid for the action as they felt it was important for Fleet Street and the legal world for the question of solicitors' rights of audience in the High Court to be raised.

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New generation of trade union leaders backs secret ballot on strikes

By David Felton
Labour Correspondent

Two of the new generation of trade union leaders yesterday came down firmly in favour of secret ballots for elections before strikes in a further example of growing acceptance of key sections of the Government's employment legislation.

Mr John Edmonds, general secretary-elect of the General, Municipal, Boilermakers and Allied Trades Union, said unions had to state clearly their support for secret ballots to alleviate public unease about their democratic structures.

Mr Alistair Graham, leader of the Civil and Public Services Association, went further by outlining a Bill of positive rights which, he believed, should form the basis of any legislation on trade unions envisaged by the Labour Party.

Both men, who represent a new breed of union leader, were addressing the national conference of the Institute of Personnel Managers in Harrogate yesterday.

Mr Graham said he believed there could be few objections to legally binding procedures for unions, something which the Government is under pressure to provide from right wing business groups.

The Labour movement had to turn its back on "dreadful factory-gate meetings", and he said the block vote was indefensible. Pre-strike ballots and individual secret ballots for elections ought to be included in the Labour Party's programme, he said.

Mr Graham said unions should have no qualms, providing there were no conditions attached, to accepting government money to finance secret ballots. But he said there needed to be legislation to ensure that employers were not allowed to interfere in the balloting.

The large majorities at present required by legislation to maintain closed shop agreements should be charged, and he suggested four trade union rights ought to be accepted in any new labour laws.

Those were the right to strike, the right of an individual to belong to a trade union, the right of trade unions to be recognized by managements, and the right for them to be consulted on investment issues.

The Government could withdraw tax concessions on companies which ignored the results of union ballots.

Mr Edmonds, speaking at a separate seminar at the conference, said he believed public demand for secret ballots had now become irresistible and unions should say clearly that, on every occasion, all members would be secretly balloted on a strike call.

"Once we have got over that psychological barrier we can concentrate on some of the important issues of organizing the ballots and their funding," Mr Edmonds said. He believed a democratic balloting system would legitimize any strikes called.

He also said that elections of union officials and governing executives should be carried out through secret ballots.

The unions' constituency was all working people and to win them into membership they had to listen to the public arguments and make their organizations as democratic and attractive as possible.

Mr Edmonds said that the National Union of Mineworkers' decision not to have a ballot before the pit strike had been a mistake and had led to its defeat.

He did not see strikes as a means of winning arguments, and said that in many cases a strike was the forerunner to a defeat.

At the same conference, Lord Young of Graffham, Secretary of State for Employment, said emotion over unemployment was clouding the Government's progress in the economy.

Lord Young painted a rosy picture of the economy

A competitive economy with a slower growth in wages would lead to greater enterprise and create the environment for jobs, he said.

Some people spoke as if there were a recession, but he said, "we have a strong and sustained recovery in the economy, but with high unemployment".

Unions warned on state cash

By Our Labour Reporter

Mr Norman Willis, General Secretary of the TUC, yesterday warned trade unions that those who accepted government money for ballots were breaching a basic principle of the labour movement.

But he left the door open to a possible compromise by stating that the engineers and electricians had not necessarily renounced their independence by seeking public funds. They had not changed their rules to benefit from state cash, he pointed out.

Speaking at a trades council meeting at Weymouth last night, he said that the issue was not just about the preservation of tried and trusted methods of democracy. "It goes to the very heart of the argument for independent trade unionism."

Community gathers to mourn the death that sparked a riot



A grief-stricken relative turning away as more than 600 mourners attend the funeral of Mrs Cynthia Jarrett, the grandmother, whose death from a heart attack during a police search sparked the rioting in Tottenham, north London, earlier this month (Robin Young writes).

The funeral passed peacefully and was a dignified ceremony, although some Press photographers complained of attempts to intimidate them and prevent them taking photographs. Mrs Jarrett was buried at New Southgate cemetery.

The funeral cortège led by nine limousines decked with floral tributes left Mrs Jarrett's home, followed by a cavalcade of 60 or 70 cars.

The crowd overflowed the church of St Paul the Apostle, Tottenham, where the service was conducted by the Bishop of Edmonton the Right Rev Brian Masters and Father Lamont Phillips, a former curate of the church.

The bishop told the congregation that their numbers were testimony to Mrs Jarrett "as someone who cared. Our community is sadly deficient of people who care", he said. "The loss of Cynthia is truly a loss to our community."

Father Lamont, in his address, took as his text a passage from Jeremiah in which the Lord commands the people of Israel to keep the peace in the city to which they have been taken as captives.

"Violence is like a rainbow and has many shades. Whenever a life is lost unnecessarily the bell tolls for all of us", he said. "Unnecessary loss of life diminishes humanity. Ours is a violent country, and we have had deaths in Ireland, Birmingham, and Tottenham."

Father Lamont said that while violence was to be condemned "we must also expose other types of violence. The violence of oppression is violence too. There is the violence of deprivation, and in some cases the violence of the public media. They are all shades of the rainbow of violence that overshadows our beloved country".

(Photograph: Suresh Karadia)

Men held over riot death

By Alan Hamilton

Two men have been arrested, and were being questioned by police last night, in connection with the death of Mr David Hodge, a freelance photographer injured during the recent Brixton riots.

Mr Hodge, aged 29, died in the Radcliffe Infirmary, Oxford, on Thursday, 19 days after being hit on the head by a piece of masonry

Sir Montague Levine, the coroner, adjourned the inquest until December 12 after hearing from Dr Stephen Cordner, a pathologist, that the cause of Mr Hodge's death was still being investigated.

Asian campaign against attacks

By Pat Healy, Race Relations Correspondent

A plan of action to combat racial attacks and harassment is expected to be launched today from a conference called by Asian community leaders and the London Borough of Waltham Forest.

The organizers, New Life Publications, point out that the number of racial attacks is rising in east London and throughout Britain, but Asian communities have little confidence in the ability of the police to deal firmly with them.

Metropolitan Police figures for January to August this year show that 42 racially motivated attakes have been reported in Waltham Forest. 31 of them directed against Asian homes or businesses. Five of the incidents were arson attacks and since the figures were compiled there have been three further arson attacks on Asian families. There has been only one conviction.

The conference will be told in a message from Mr Douglas Hurd, the Home Secretary, that the police share the Government's determination to remedy the situation where racial incidents "generate an atmosphere of fear" and make normal life impossible.

Mr Hurd will welcome in his message an initiative from the Association of Chief Police Officers, which will be issuing guidelines next week for handling racial attacks to all police officers, but he will also call for greater co-operation with local community leaders

The message is expected to be welcomed by the conference as an indication of how seriously the Government now takes the rising number of racially motivated incidents.

It is unlikely, however, to deter the conference from renewing previous calls for a unit to be set up at Scotland Yard with specially trained officers to help local police

● The growth in public disorder involving young people could be linked with television violence, the Solicitor General, Sir Patrick Mayhew, said yesterday (the Press Association reports). He told a press conference in Newcastle upon Tyne that public complaints to the BBC and IBA about such violence would be taken notice of.

Bradford race talk postponed

A lunchtime meeting at Bradford University, at which Mr Harvey Proctor, Conservative MP for Billericay, was due to speak on immigration, was hastily postponed yesterday.

The meeting was postponed after Bradford Council and the police advised that the timing was inappropriate because of racial controversy in the city involving the local headmaster, Mr Ray Honeyford.

Student leaders warned of protests if the meeting went ahead. Mr Proctor was banned from speaking at the East Ham South Conservative Club in London earlier in the week because of fears of disturbances.

Driver in A5 coach crash fined

A Dutch tanker driver was fined £200 by St Albans magistrates yesterday on a charge of careless driving after being involved in a crash with a school coach on the A5 near Redbourn, Hertfordshire, on Thursday.

Paul Birch, aged 16, is in a critical condition and three other boys are still in hospital after the accident between the coach and the tanker carrying dangerous chemicals. Four policemen were also treated after breathing toxic fumes.

Vauxhall pay offer rejected

Four thousand shopfloor workers at Vauxhall's Luton plant yesterday voted to reject the company's pay offer. National organizers from the Transport and General Workers' Union are now being called in to re-open talks in an attempt to improve the offer.

At a mass meeting, workers backed their rejection of the 11.5 per cent, two-year pay increase with the threat of industrial action.

Tesco jobs

Tesco is to create nearly 2,000 new jobs in Bristol and the West Country by the end of next July with a £40 million investment in four new superstores and a fresh food distribution depot.

Smuggler jailed

Jeremy Stander, aged 27, of Harare, Zimbabwe, was sentenced to three years' jail at Chichester Crown Court yesterday after admitting smuggling cannabis worth £30,000 hidden in 15 carved African wooden heads into Gatwick airport.

Woman appointed to top job at BBC

By Hugh Clayton

Mrs Patricia Hodgson yesterday became the first woman to be appointed secretary of the BBC, one of the top administrative posts in the corporation. She succeeds Mr David Holmes, who said when his early retirement was announced in the summer that the strain of the job had been "all too much".

Mrs Hodgson, aged 38, and the mother of one son, is a Cambridge history graduate who joined the BBC 15 years ago as a producer of radio education programmes. She became deputy secretary of the corporation almost two years ago.

The secretary and deputy secretary advise and assist the board of governors of the BBC and the board of management, which includes the director-general and the 11 leading directors of the corporation.

Mr Holmes said last August that he had been the "man in the middle" of the controversy over the cancellation of *At the Edge of the Union*, the programme that included an interview with Martin McGuinness, an alleged former IRA chief of staff. The programme was shown on Wednesday.

Mr Holmes, a former political editor of the BBC, has suffered from ill-health for some time and worked for the BBC for almost 30 years after a period with local newspapers in London. He was 59 last week.

The corporation yesterday denied that there had been internal disagreement among governors and senior managers about the appointment of Mrs Hodgson. It said that she had been chosen from a short list.

Riot and affray charges against miners dropped

By Craig Seton

Charges of riot and affray against 36 men, most of them miners, were dropped by the prosecution at Nottingham Crown Court yesterday.

Another 18 men who had faced the same charge, arising out of an alleged riot after a National Union of Mineworkers' rally in Mansfield during the pit strike last year, had already been acquitted

However, some men pleaded guilty to either affray and unlawful assembly and were given suspended sentences or fines

● Four men were cleared yesterday by a judge at Leeds Crown Court of attacking a working miner, Mr Michael Fletcher, at his home during the pit dispute. But their trial continues on Monday on a remaining count to decide whether they are guilty of riotous assembly.

● The Yorkshire NUM failed in its High Court attempt yesterday to have an inquest into the death of a miner on a picketline heard by a jury. Judges refused to overturn the decision of Mr Philip Gill, West Yorkshire's Coroner, over the inquest into the death of Joe Green, aged 55.

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Rate-cap councils end confrontation

By Colin Hughes, Local Government Correspondent

Rate-capped councils have dropped their tactic of joint confrontation with the Government after the disastrous collapse earlier this year of the united front opposed to the legislation.

The new realism on Labour's left wing will be affirmed publicly at a conference of the London regional party tomorrow when delegates are expected to approve an executive statement which leaves each local authority to pursue its own strategy.

The statement, agreed by the London executive last Monday, is expected to be endorsed tomorrow. Its greatest emphasis is placed on the "major responsibility" of winning next May's London borough elections.

Big gains for Labour are being widely predicted, with a strong chance that they will regain control of Hammersmith and Fulham, Ealing, Wandsworth, and Brent.

Another five boroughs now in Conservative control – Merton, Harrow, Enfield, Havering, and Bexley – are vulnerable, and more could become "hung" councils.

The prime cause of what the left calls a "sea change in London's Labour politics" is, however, the failure of this year's campaign against rate-capping. It left Labour groups divided and embittered.

On top of that, several of the 12 authorities being capped, mostly in London and all Labour, suspect that they can hold firm to their "no-cuts" policies without direct confrontation.

Lewisham has already applied to the Government for its spending limit to be reassessed under a procedure called derogation, which last year was ruled out by even the Conservative rate-capped councils. Newcastle upon Tyne is expected to follow shortly, and Department of the Environment officials accept that it has a strong case.

Even Hackney and Lambeth, two of the hardest-line councils, have not yet ruled out derogation: only Southwark has rejected that option.

Greenwich, Camden and Islington are still considering approaches to the Government and Basildon and Thamesdown are undecided: Liverpool is unpredictable until the present chaos is sorted out.

ILEA deal on meals supervision

A major breakthrough in the school meals supervision stalemate was announced last night with the acceptance by head teachers of a new two-tier system of ancillary workers to take responsibility for pupils during the midday meal-break.

The package, accounced by Ms Frances Morrell, leader of the Inner London Education Authority, will create about 1,600 new jobs and cost about £4 million.

It is the first scheme of its kind in the country and was accepted yesterday by head teachers at a meeting with Ms Morrell, Mr Steve Bundred, ILEA's finance chief, and senior education officers.

The breakthrough comes after a week of negotiations between the authority and trade unions and marks "an important and significant development," Ms Morrell said.

"The proposals help to resolve what has been an anxious and frustrating situation for staff, pupils and parents alike in a very critical period," she added.

Powell predicts end of US domination

By Our Political Correspondent

Mr Enoch Powell predicted yesterday that America's domination of the West, and Britain's "subjugation" to Washington's grand strategy, were inevitably heading for a breakdown.

He said in a speech at Eastbourne that he had concluded that "no government in contemporary Britain believes it can hold office unless it conforms with the assumptions of United States strategic policy".

The Ulster Unionist MP said that the willingness of the European Community to pay the price of Spanish and Portuguese membership, and Conservative and Labour attempts to engineer the cession of Ulster to the Irish Republic were all part of the American strategic design.

"The domination has not been economic", he said. "It has been military; it has not been military, it has been nuclear."

Mr Powell said that he saw two possible symptoms of that domination "being undermined, not perhaps immediately but in the event surely".

He saw the controversy over cruise missiles as a breach in the credibility of the theory of nuclear deterrence – a theory which is scorned by Mr Powell – and he added: "Once that theory is seriously undermined, the whole structure of American political predominance is unbolted and starts to disintegrate".

The other symptom was a growing awareness of American aggression; condoning this month's Israeli attack on Tunisia and the forcing down of the Egyptian aircraft

Probation staff reject law policy

By Peter Evans
Home Affairs Correspondent

Probation officers dissociated themselves yesterday from key government penal policies that they have to carry out.

They demanded, at their annual conference, changes to what many see as increasingly repressive and harsh measures. Much of the indignation springs from the miners' dispute and the perceived failure of government policies on law and order expressed by this summer's record prison population.

There was overwhelming condemnation of the "serious erosion of civil and political rights brought about by the use of the police and judiciary as agents of the employers and the state". That motion arose from the pit dispute.

Members of the National Association of Probation Officers (Napo) who were meeting at Bridlington, Humberside, demanded that strict limits should be "placed on state powers of surveillance and intelligence-gathering on individuals engaged in (legal) political or industrial activity".

Napo passed overwhelmingly a resolution demanding automatic compensation for people remanded in custody and subsequently acquitted.

Mr Peter Gibbs, a member of the criminal justice committee, said: "Within less than three years the number on remand has risen a catostrophic 25 per cent".

He added: "We believe that at the very least the individual should be entitled to a daily compensation rate compatible with the £30 a day society affords to keep a person inside".

TV 'misses reality of Ulster life'

Mr Tom King, Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, said yesterday that this week's *Real Lives* television programme has missed the reality of Ulster.

He told the Institute of Directors in Bristol that the BBC programme had achieved its impact by concentrating on the extremist edge of life in the province.

The reality of Ulster life was that its citizens were aware of their economic and political problems, but were determined to tackle them and succeed. "That is the Northern Ireland that the programme-makers so often miss."

Scots' backing for Assembly

An opinion poll on devolution commissioned by the *Glasgow Herald* shows that 73 per cent of Scots favour having an Assembly and 29 per cent believe it should be completely independent.

The poll, published yesterday, shows that 66 per cent of the sample thought it important to raise the issue again in Parliament.

Print impasse

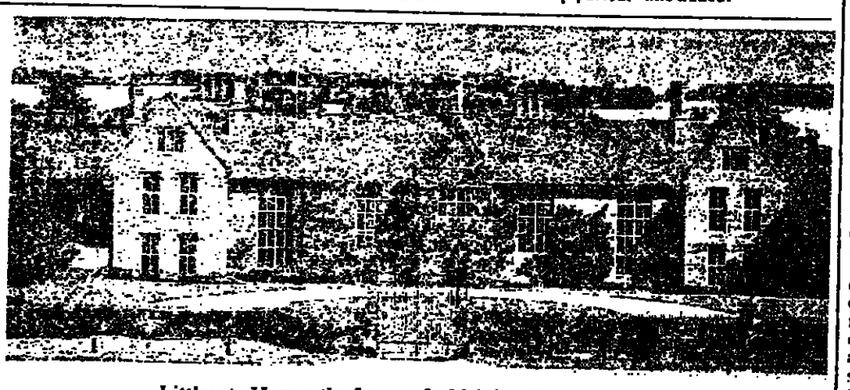
A meeting to resolve the impasse over the future of the Thomson Withy Grove printing complex in Manchester was cancelled last night.

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Littlecote 'a heritage cliff-hanger'

By Geraldine Norman
Sale Room Correspondent



Littlecote House, the future of which is still a mystery.

There is nail-biting going on in heritage circles to see whether and how Mr Peter de Savary is going to sell Littlecote House, the magnificent Tudor manor, complete with ruined Roman villa, which he has not yet paid for. Completion of the purchase, negotiated last April with Sir Seton Wills, is scheduled for October 30. The price was around £7 million.

After that Mr de Savary's deadlines approach with dizzying speed. On October 31 he intends to move into the house, near Hungerford, Wiltshire, and "live there for a while, all things being equal". He has allowed the Tower of London until November 11 to see if it can raise £580,000 to purchase its historic civil war armoury for the nation, a knock-down price according to Mr de Savary, who says he has been offered several hundred thousand more for it.

Then, if no one has come forward interested in taking the house and contents off his hands *en bloc*, Sotheby's will auction off the contents on November 20 and 21.

Peter de Savary, aged 41, is one of the most colourful millionaire entrepreneurs Britain has seen for a long time. He made the headlines by financing the British entry which did not win the America's Cup two years ago. He is the founder of the St James's Club of London and Antigua – he thought of turning Littlecote into a country branch – and is into oil, aircraft, fisheries, telephones and bananas. You name it, he's tried it, in many countries round the world.

He arranged to buy Littlecote last April and intended to live in it with his then *fiancée*, Miss Lana Paton, but he married his secretary instead. After six weeks he decided on a divorce and is now back with Miss Paton.

But that summer wedding put him off Littlecote. Sotheby's were called in last July and started to catalogue the contents of the house while Sir Seton was still living there and opening it to the public. Hampton & Sons, in conjunction with Knight, Frank and Rutley, are offering the house and 33 surrounding acres, including important archaeological excavtions at around £2.5 million. Sotheby's estimate the value of the contents at £3.5 million to £4 million.

That would put a valuation of £6 million to £6.5 million on the whole estate, which makes it look as if Mr de Savary is prepared to sell at a loss, which he isn't. "What is quoted and what it achieved is not the same", he said yesterday.

But the sale may not be on. Mr de Savary says he is actively studying the possibility of not selling the house, in response to numerous public appeals.

"I have commissioned a team of experts in leisure, tourism and financial matters to report on the possibility of running an activity there which is economically viable, he said. "He expects to make a decision within the next two weeks.

If he decides to sell, he has various options. His preference is to find a single buyer for the house and contents. Next best is a buyer for the house and "historic contents", by which is understood the armoury, library and furnishings of the Popham family, who lived there from 1596 to 1922. Third best is a purchaser for the house alone.

The Times overseas selling prices
Austria Sch 29; Belgium B frs 50; Canada $2.75; Canaries Pes 170; Cyprus 70 cents; Denmark Dkr 9.00; Finland Mkk 9.00; France Frs 8.00; Germany DM 3.50; Gibraltar 60p; Greece Dr 150; Holland Gl 3.50; Irish Republic 40p; Italy L 2500; Luxembourg Lf 45; Madeira Esc 170; Malta 38c; Morocco Dir 10.00; Norway Kr 9.00; Pakistan Rps 18; Portugal Esc 170; Singapore $5.50; Spain Pes 170; Sweden 5kr 9.00; Switzerland S Frs 3.00; Tunisia Din 80.00, USA $1.75; Yugoslavia Din 350

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Thomson lowers prices and revives Skytours in holiday discount war

By Edward Townsend, Industrial Correspondent

The package holiday discount war intensified yesterday with the introduction of lower prices from Thomson Holidays, which include a week on the Costa Brava for a family of four for £148.

The company has revived Skytours, famous in the 1960s as a cut-price holiday company, to offer what it claims are unmatchable rates for next summer.

Thomson executives said that the Skytours prices, which often involve families sharing one bedroom and using night flights, were unbeatable by the competition, led by Intasun.

Mr Paul Brett, Thomson's managing director, said: "We will offer the very lowest prices and guarantee to match our competitor's if customers find lower prices on comparable holidays from other operators".

Skytours aims to sell 300,000 cheap holidays, about 10 per cent of the low-budget part of the package tour market, 100,000 of them by Christmas.

The battle between Thomson and Intasun for the cheap end of the market is likely to continue into the winter, and there are fears that some smaller operators could be forced out of business.

Thomson said the Skytours prices were possibly because of the installation of a computerized system for handling bookings that can be made only through travel agents linked to the system. As a result, Skytours will be run in Britain by only four people, compared with about 1,000 needed to operate a conventional tour company.

"We will be operating at a level of efficiency that is at least three to five years ahead of the competition", Thomson said. The company plans to spend £1 million in the coming weeks advertising Skytours.

Skytours discounts will mean that thousands of free holidays will be available for children as well as reduction by three quarters for children sharing with two adults. Holidays are offered in Spain, Greece and Malta, with flights from Gatwick, Luton, Cardiff, Bristol, Birmingham, East Midlands, Manchester, Newcastle-upon-Tyne and Glasgow.

Half-price railcard on test

By Michael Baily, Transport Editor

A new railcard offering half-price rail travel to any adult may be on sale from British Rail next year.

Called the Voyager railcard, it costs £16 a year and is being test-marketed by British Rail in the Stoke-on-Trent area.

The holder, only if accompanied by up to three people, can buy cheap day returns at half price or Saver tickets at a third off the normal price.

No reductions are offered on ordinary fares, or on child fares, although the holder can travel at half price with a child paying the full child fare.

British Rail says that a decision to offer the Voyager card nationwide would depend on an analysis of the effect of the experiment.



Mr Frederick Baggs, aged 69, who lives in Stanwell Moor, Middlesex, at the end of a main Heathrow Airport runway, after being given leave to appeal to the European Court of Human Rights about the noise. A microphone on the roof measures the sound of passing jets (Photograph: Chris Harris).

Mother gets legal letter to order out children

A mother yesterday defended her decision to send solicitor's letter to two of her children ordering them out of the family home within seven days.

The mother, Valerie, aged 43, who declined to be identified further, said both used foul language and were abusive and that her daughter, Julie, aged 19, had threatened her with violence.

But Julie, a shop assistant, who left the home in Todwick, near Sheffield, to live with her boy friend's parents, said yesterday: "I'm disgusted at the way my parents have treated me. I don't want anything more to do with them."

Julie and her brother Ernest, aged 20, both received letters from Malcolm C. Foy and Co, a Worksop firm of solicitors, which said: "If you have not left the premises or made definite arrangements to do so within the next seven days we will have no alternative other than to apply to the court for an order compelling you to leave the property. The order, if made, will be enforceable by the county court bailiff and, or, the police."

The mother said: "Neither took any notice when we told them to move out. I couldn't put up with the behaviour any longer. I have four children, three still at home, and there has been a big improvement in their behaviour as a result of this."

Valerie and her husband, William, aged 67, have now instructed their solicitors to send a second letter informing the two children that they can stay, provided that their behaviour improves.

Ernest has agreed, but Julie said: "I won't be going back. What they did is unbelievable. I agree there were rows but nothing more than what happens between mums and daughters and I never used violence towards her."

Budgerigar suffered microwave ordeal

A five-minute tape recording of an incident in which a budgerigar was half-cooked alive in a microwave oven was played to magistrates at Bournemouth yesterday.

The bird, Boo-Boo which belonged to Mrs Margaret Morris, of Ashley Road, Boscombe, Dorset, was only in the machine for seconds after it was switched on, but it died less than 24 hours later, the court was told.

The truth about the incident was disclosed only when Mrs Morris's daughter, Kim, retrieved a Simon and Garfunkel tape she had lent to Ian Orr, a tenant of her mother's, before the bird died.

As she played back the "Concert in Central Park" one of the tracks was interrupted by recording of laughter, the voices of two men referring to the budgerigar, and the whirr of the microwave being switched on.

She recognized the voices of Mr Orr and a friend, Yehis El-Zahran, aged 23, a Lebanese student.

Orr, aged 24, had told Mrs Morris that the bird was lying limp at the bottom of its cage because her cat had attacked it. But Mrs Morris said in a statement that her cat had a deformed foot and could not climb up to the bird's cage.

The men were later jointly charged with cruelly ill-treating the budgerigar, causing it unnecessary suffering. But yesterday Mr El-Zahran, of Edgefield Road, Winton, Bournemouth, was cleared. He had insisted that he played no part in the bird's suffering.

At an earlier hearing, Orr, a driver, was fined £500 after admitting the offence. He told the hearing yesterday that he put the bird in the microwave.

Mr El-Zahran had put the cassette in the tape recorder, Orr told the court. The radio was on at the same time and he had thought El-Zahran had been recording Radio One's Top 40 Show.

Solicitors urge tax shake-up

The present tax system presents taxpayers with a "Pandora's box of uncertainty", according to a report by the Law Society which was published yesterday.

It urged that taxmen be more open about the way they reach decisions, and Parliament, rather than the courts, should play the leading role in deciding how the system should operate.

The report was a response to the uncertainty over tax law interpretation created by the Furniss v Dawson decision in the House of Lords last year.

The case has thrown tax planners into confusion because it remains unclear how the Inland Revenue will use it to clamp down on artificial tax avoidance.

The report has also suggested that tax authorities change their system so that individuals, or companies, can obtain a ruling on the tax implications of a particular transaction before it takes place.

At present taxmen will not decide the tax implications of a transaction until it has been concluded.

The report said the system of tax law needed a shake up to give people a better idea of where they stood.

At present, there could be "considerable uncertainty" about the effect of tax legislation on a wide variety of transactions, and that should be removed.

The tax implications even of a house purchase might not be as straightforward as they appeared, it said.

The report, by the society's revenue law committee, recommended that Parliament rather than the courts was the right place for development of tax laws.

A greater flow of information between the Inland Revenue, taxpayers, lawyers and the Government was also recommended.

Tax Law in the Melting Pot, (Law Society, £3).

Campaign to woo young meat eaters

By John Young, Agriculture Correspondent

A new campaign to halt the decline in meat eating, aimed particularly at people aged under 35, has been launched by the Meat Promotion Executive.

Using the slogan "Nothing Competes with Meat and Two Vegetables", it hopes to dispel some of the health fears associated with meat and to emphasize the benefits of a balanced diet.

Two million copies of a recipe booklet, prepared in collaboration with the Good Housekeeping Institute, are to be distributed through butchers' shops, containing information on pork, beef and lamb.

Mr Jim Munday, the executive's director, said the booklet is intended to be consistent with the recommendations of the Joint Advisory Committee on Nutrition Education.

The industry is concerned at evidence that younger housewives tend to avoid butchers' shops because they are often unable to recognize what is on display, and are too embarrassed to ask for advice.

Marques 'hit by water spout'

A British survivor of the Marques, the barque which sank off Bermuda last year with the loss of 19 lives, said yesterday he thought the sailing ship was hit by a water spout before it capsized.

Mr Dennis Ord, aged 52, the ship's mate, of Masefield Drive, South Shields, Tyne-and-Wear, was on top of the poop ladder on the starboard side of the ship when it was struck.

"It started to rain heavily and suddenly it was icy cold. I remember tasting salt in the rain". Mr Ord, the first British survivor to give evidence at the Plymouth inquiry into the sinking, said.

"I can remember the rain eased. I think it was a waterspout that hit us. There was no warning. This terrific wind came and it happened very, very fast.

"I would say it was 70 knots. She went over on her beam end. I finished in the water tangled in the rigging. It all happened in a matter of seconds."

Four Britons died in the disaster during the Tall Ships Race on June 3, 1984. The Marques was famous for her appearances in the television series, *The Onedin Line*.

The vessel's former part-owner, Mr Robin Cecil-Wright, a Cornish farmer, has alleged it was a "scandal" and an "outrage" for an inexperienced master to be in command.

The hearing continues on Monday.

US investor buys stake in Spurs

By Cliff Feltham

A man living in America has bought a 5 per cent stake in Tottenham Hotspur, the only football club listed in the stock exchange.

Mr Isadore Brown, who is thought to come from Manchester but runs a property business in New Jersey, has picked up 460,000 shares in the club.

On the stock market yesterday they were 1p down at 63p, a long way off the 100p price at which they were sold two years ago.

But the club chairman, Mr Paul Bobroff, said he was not concerned by the news that a share was being built up.

"It does not worry me at all. Mr Brown contacted us soon after the flotation and said he thought the shares would make a good investment," he said.

Tottenham Hotspur has been taking a cautious view of prospects for the current year in the light of problems affecting the game and has been steadily building up revenue outside football, involving sponsorship, and merchandising of leisurewear.

Actor jailed for offences against boy

Peter Hugo, an actor, was sentenced to 18 months' imprisonment by the Central Criminal Court yesterday for two sexual offences against a boy.

Judge Hazan, QC, warned other homosexuals of the risk they face. "This case should be a terrible lesson to active homosexuals when they indulge in activities of this sort, particularly towards young boys", he said.

"Not only do they run the risk of transmitting sexual diseases like Aids, but they can also cause injuries".

Hugo, of Camberley, Surrey, admitted indecent assault and buggery on a boy aged 14.

The judge said that Hugo, aged 37, who is known for impersonating the Prince of Wales, had paid part of the boy's medical expenses after he had sustained internal injuries during the relationship.

Juror accused

Demitri King, aged 22, an unemployed roofer, of Bermondsey, south east London, was bailed for legal advice by Horseferry Road Magistrates' court yesterday accused of stealing a £530 leather jacket from Harrods after finishing a day on the jury at Knightsbridge Crown Court, nearby.

Spy jury retires

The jury in the 111-day Cyprus secrets trial at the Central Criminal Court is to retire on Monday to reach verdicts on the seven accused servicemen after Mr Justice Stocker completed his week-long summing-up yesterday.

Lost message

Muhammad Nazir, aged 38, of Bethnal Green, east London, was conditionally discharged for 12 months by Bow Street magistrates yesterday for stealing two crime prevention posters from a hoarding in Leicester Square.

PC fined

A police constable, Andrew Baynes, aged 22, of Cheam, Surrey, was fined £250 at the Central Criminal Court yesterday after he admitted careless driving in Banstead, Surrey. The other driver died.

Stabbed PC to return to job in burglary unit



Police Constable George Hammond (right), whose life hung in the balance after he was stabbed 10 months ago, said yesterday that he was returning to his job. PC Hammond, aged 48, hopes to go back to his post at Southwark burglary analysis unit in the new year.

It was also announced yesterday that PC Hammond, who has undergone six major operations since the stabbing, has been highly commended by Sir Kenneth Newman (the Metropolitan Police Commissioner for his bravery.

PC Hammond, aided by a walking-stick, left King's College Hospital, yesterday. But instead of relaxing at home he joined a charity walk through Battersea Park to help to raise money for a hospital body scanner.

He was stabbed with a 12-inch butcher's knife last January when he disturbed a raider in a Dulwich sweetshop.

Counterfeit goods pose safety threat

By Bill Johnstone, Technology Correspondent

The health and safety of British consumers could be at risk because of a big international increase in counterfeit goods.

A report prepared for the European Parliament, released in London yesterday, said: "Counterfeiting has grown in the past 10 to 12 years from a small cottage industry, originally supplying the domestic market, to what is today a large, sophisticated, well-organized business that can reach any market worldwide.

"Not only is there a tendency towards the geographical extension of counterfeiting, but the counterfeit products themselves are becoming technically and aesthetically more advanced, coupled with an increasingly aggressive approach to marketing by counterfeiters and careful planning of how to evade law enforcement."

The report, which suggests the computerization of customs, the strengthening of agreements between trading nations, and the establishment of legal protection for copyright and trademark holder where none is available, will be presented to the European Parliament next week.

The range of counterfeit goods highlighted in the reports shows the scale of the problem. About 60 countries, mostly Asian, South American and African, are the main sources of counterfeited goods. The cost in lost sales and goodwill is thought to be £40 billion a year with an estimated 100,000 jobs lost in Europe alone.

The report says: "For a long time counterfeiting remained confined to luxury goods, such as clocks and watches, cosmetics, clothing, leather goods.

"In recent years counterfeit production has spread rapidly to other industrial sectors, such as spare parts in the automotive and aerospace sectors, pharmaceuticals, medical equipment, chemicals (including pesticides), electrical consumer goods, audio-visual products and software."



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THE AUSTRALIAN FOR LARGER

Callaghan to become an international ambassador after leaving Commons

From Tim Jones, Cardiff

Mr James Callaghan, a former Prime Minister and the longest serving MP now in the Commons, intends to cast himself in the role of an international ambassador when his parliamentary career of more than 40 years ends at the next election.

He made his intention clear yesterday when he explained in his Cardiff South and Penarth constituency why he will not be contesting the seat again.

In particular, Mr Callaghan indicated, he will aim to help to replace the international monetary and trading systems which, he believes, are disintegrating with dangerous repercussions for the world.

During his travels he will attempt to "nudge" people into thinking how to provide the kind of machinery needed for a world that ought to be getting closer instead of falling apart.

The collapse of existing mechanisms, he said, affected relations with the Third World and with the Soviet Union.

"I think American perceptions are changing. To some extent they are moving more in the direction of looking to the Pacific, looking south. We, I think, will have to consider what impact this will have through Nato and other organizations," Mr Callaghan said.

"We are living in a period of change, and perhaps somebody like myself, moving around the world and talking to people, can begin to think with others how we can devise the international mechanisms that are necessary to ensure that the world lives in a fair degree of prosperity and peace."

Mr Callaghan declined to discuss controversies within the Labour Party and would not be drawn when asked whether he regretted his speech before the last general election which attacked the party stance on unilateral disarmament.

Mr Callaghan said he had been greatly encouraged by Mr Neil Kinnocks speech at the party conference in Bournemouth.

"He is marching forward, I believe, to victory at the next election," he said.

Asked about the prospect of nuclear confrontation Mr Callaghan said world leaders he had spoken to, including Mr Gromyko, recognized the awesomeness of the weapons they held.

But there was a danger, he said, of confrontation arising as a result of third party action, such as the recent pirating of the cruise liner, which toppled the Italian Government and soured relations between America and Egypt.

He said it was obvious he was retiring because he was now aged 73 and would be almost 80 if he stood again.

"There come moments, and I think this is one of the moments, in the history of the country when younger men and women should represent the current needs and difficulties confronting it."

One of his great regrets Mr Callaghan said, was that he would be leaving the House of Commons at a time when the battle against the social evil of unemployment had to be fought hard.

Britain, he said, could not sustain first class social services on the back of a second class economy, and without oil revenue the country would be in a state of near collapse.

"Whatever may be said by the propagandists, the plain truth is that this country still has a lot to do and a long way to go before we can reckon we are going to have the continuing increase in our standard of life as we have come to expect."

● Mr Callaghan said in a BBC radio interview on *World at One* yesterday: "My greatest addition to the total sum of human happiness was when I persuaded the Ministry of Transport, when I was a young parliamentary secretary in 1947, to agree to put cats' eyes in the centre of the roads.

"The cats' eyes have lasted, whereas what I did in the matter of detente with the Soviet Union has disappeared, I regret to say, for the time being. If you want a lasting achievement, there you have it."



The Duke and Duchess of Kent with Miss Elizabeth Taylor and her escort, Mr Roddy McDowall, at a dinner at the Los Angeles County Museum of Art where 36 paintings on loan from the Dulwich Picture Gallery are being exhibited.

Greens' success alarms allies

From Frank Johnson
Bonn

The entry of the Greens, the uniquely German left-wing environmentalist party, into the Social Democrat-led Hesse regional government seems to have frightened politicians in Bonn.

But the politicians who are frightened here are the Social Democrats (SPD) themselves. Their fear, privately expressed, is that association with the Greens, even in only one region, will damage them at the next general election in 1987 because voters would see a national SPD-led Government as likely to be dependent on Green support in the Bundestag, or containing Green ministers.

Bonn's Conservatives – the Christian Democrats and their allies, the Bavarian Christian Social Union – are delighted with the turn of events in Hesse. They believe that the Greens, despite their entry into the Bundestag in 1982, have always been unpopular with the broad mass of voters, a belief for which there seems a good deal of evidence.

In Bonn, SPD politicians interested in winning office have lately been trying to emphasize that, since ceasing to lead the Government in 1982, the party has not moved to the left. For that reason they have chosen Herr Johannes Rau, Prime Minister of the great industrial region of North Rhine-Westphalia, as their candidate for Chancellor against Herr Helmut Kohl in the 1987 election.

In the eyes of the West German electorate as a whole, Herr Rau is seen as an attractive, younger politician, even though he is 54.

His views on "the issues" have been cautious. When he said recently that an SPD government would repeal all social security reforms of the Kohl Government, he realized that this would make him vulnerable to the charge of wanting higher taxes and inflation, and said disarmingly that he had been "mistaken."

If the SPD do win in 1987, present signs suggest that its victory would be so narrow that it would be dependent on Green support, assuming that many Greens keep their seats (the group has lately been declining in the opinion polls). But the SPD would prefer that this became obvious after the election rather than now.

Hesse, of which the capital is Wiesbaden, contains Frankfurt, West Germany's sixth largest city. The *Land* is broadly representative socially and economically, of the country as a whole. The SPD *Land* Prime Minister, Herr Holger Börner, won an election in September, 1983, but without an absolute majority.

He has been sustained by the tacit support of Green legislators, but has said he would not have them in his government. After some months of negotiation, however, they have been given a new Ministry of Environment and Energy, and a junior minister post for women's affairs; not a separate ministry for women, as they originally demanded.

The Greens broke off negotiations earlier this month in protest at the death in Frankfurt of Günter Sare, the left-wing demonstator run over by a police water-cannon vehicle. The death was followed by several nights of demonstrations and violence in West German cities and above all, in Frankfurt.

The Greens disowned the demonstrators' violence and organized many peaceful protests.

'Millions' needed to save ship canal

The Government is likely to be asked for "tens of millions of pounds" to save the upper reaches of the Manchester Ship Canal, which faces closure in two years' time.

A steering committee, set up last year after the closure announcement, made public a commercial study yesterday on the feasibility of keeping the 23-mile stretch of the waterway as a going concern.

Mr Peter Scott, chairman of the committee, who estimated the cost of saving the canal, disclosed that the study showed that less money would be lost if it was kept open than if the section was closed to navigation.

If the canal was kept open, running costs would be £3.7 million, with revenue of slightly more than £3 million. But closure would mean a loss of nearly £1.5 million as well as up to 1,000 jobs. The difference between the two options on current figures would mean an annual deficit of £624,000.

"By turning to the Government, we are not looking for massive revenue subsidies, but for support to fund crucial capital works to modernize the canal and make it cheaper to run," Mr Scott said.

"With the resources of local authorities already fully stretched, it is squarely in the hands of the Government to ensure that this vitally important transportation and economic resource, which is a living example of our great industrial heritage, is not left to die."

Two girls battered woman, 75

A woman aged 75 was brutally battered by two girls aged 16 who had been sniffing aerosol spray, a court was told yesterday. Mrs Eleanor Manning needed 50 stitches to head wounds after the attack.

As she crawled towards a telephone she begged them to stop but blows were rained on her with a crowbar, a brass ashtray and a table lamp, Cardiff Crown Court was told.

In a statement Mrs Manning had said: "I begged and pleaded with them to stop and they just kept on beating me. I was fading in and out of consciousness."

The girls, Cheryl Kim Davies, of Wind Street, and Debra Cotter, from Elizabeth Street, both in Aberdare, Mid Glamorgan, admitted wounding Mrs Manning with intent to cause her grievous bodily harm. They also admitted stealing a savings book from the woman, whom they had befriended.

Mr Christopher Pitchford, for the defence, said: "The girls said they had been sniffing aerosol spray to obtain intoxication. They could only describe the effect as dizziness. They are horrified about all this.

Sentencing both girls to four years' youth custody, Mr Justice Tudor Price said: "They showed Mrs Manning no mercy. It is difficult to imagine a more shocking case."

Leyland to try again for bus contract

From Paul Routledge
Bangkok

Leyland Bus is to resubmit its bid for a contract to reorganize the public transport system of Bangkok.

Its original £396 million package was thrown out as too costly by the Thai Cabinet four days ago, but after urgent talks with the Department of Trade and Industry a new proposal is being assembled.

Mr Paul Channon, Minister of State at the department, who is in Bangkok for the conference of economic ministers from the EEC and the Association of South-East Asian Nations, has defended the Government's role in the affair against the sometimes savage criticism voiced privately by executives of the state bus manufacturer.

It is admitted, however, that a letter confirming government support at the highest level and seeking to make the bid more attractive was delivered to the Thai Foreign Minister only the night before the critical Cabinet meeting, and too late to have any impact.

British ministers feel that the Administration of General Prem Tinsulanonda, the Thai Prime Minister, decided already to abandon the project because of the country's deepening economic difficulties.

This is not a view universally shared by Leyland Bus managers, who have accused the Foreign Office in particular of being dilatory in its support for the company's efforts to supply 4,000 buses.

Efforts are being made beind the scenes to patch up these differences so that the revised bid will carry maximum weight when it goes to the Thai ministers.

Mr David Goulden, Leyland Bus marketing development director for the Asean region, said last night: "With regard to any possible resubmission, the DTI have responded very very quickly, and we are grateful for Paul Channon's presence here at the moment."

British ministers insist that the Thai Cabinet could not have been left in any doubt about the Government's seriousness in backing Leyland Bus, even though the letter took more than a week to arrive. Mrs Margaret Thatcher had been "crystal clear" when she discussed the issue with General Prem in London two weeks ago.

Mr Channon said: "I think the Thai Government would like to see a smaller scheme if we can devise one. I think it can be done. The British Government will go on supporting efforts to get a more modest project."

He thought that Leyland Bus would make a fresh submission "jolly soon". It could be only a matter of days away, as the company wants to minimize the risk of foreign competitors' stealing a march.

Romania calls in military to counter power crisis

Belgrade (Reuter) – The Communist leader of Romania, Mr Nicolae Ceausescu, has declared a state of emergency in his troubled electricity industry and has moved in military officers to run key power plants. Two ministers were dismissed for "grave failings" in the electric power sector.

Announcing the most unusual move on Thursday, the official news agency Agerpres said that military commanders would manage key power plants to enforce production and standards.

Soldiers are often employed in the East bloc to help civilians with tasks such as snow-clearing or harvest-gathering, but the use of military personnel in high-level managerial posts is extremely unusual.

"It amounts to an admission that they cannot find the civilians to be trusted with operating a key sector of the economy," one Western diplomat said.

The announcement appears to foreshadow more of the power cuts, blackouts and energy shortages that have become a depressing feature of everyday Romanian life in winter.

Mr Ceausescu, aged 67, who has ruled Romania for 20 years, won approval for the state of emergency at a meeting of the ruling Communist Party's political executive committee.

other emergency measures would be introduced to enforce "strict order and discipline" in the industry, Agerpres said.

It also announced the dismissal of the Deputy Prime Minister, Mr Ioan Avram, and the Electric Power Minister, Mr Nicolae Busui, for "grave failings in organizing, running and controlling the electric power ssector". Mr Ion Licu was named to succeed Mr Busui.

The authorities said that the state of emergency had been made necessary by the effect of long drought on hydro-electric power capability and serious failings in operating coal-fired power stations.

Prague minister reported held in corruption purge

By Rodney Cowton

Czechoslovakia'a Finance Minister is believed to be under house arrest for involvement in a smuggling scandal in which hundreds of people are said to be implicated.

The scandal, involving smuggling hard currency, jewellery, Western-style consumer goods and possibly drugs, is said to be the biggest in Czechoslovakia for years. Souces in the West say that up to 250 members of the Czechoslovak Communist Party may be purged, if it has not already happened.

The minister thought to be under house arrest Mr Leopold Lér, is as Finance Minister, credited as one of the more reforming influences in management of the economy.

Reports within Czechoslovakia that he was an alcoholic and had gone to Moscow for treatment are discounted by the Western sources.

The crackdown on corruption began earlier this year, and *The Times* reported in May that the Director of Customs, Mr Ladislav Kusy, had been jailed for 40 years and 250 customs officials arrested, dismissed or transferred.

It is thought that the extent to which the scandal will be made public depends on Moscow. If Mr Mikhail Gorbachov, the Soviet leader, wishes to be seen to be taking a tough line on corruption not only in Russia but also in other Communist bloc countries, then many hundreds of ministers, officials and party members may suffer.

But if it was felt that such a tough approach might weed out too many who could assist a more technocratic and efficient approach to management of the economy, then perhaps only a handful of senior officers might be dismissed as an example.

Solidarity in poll dispute

From Roger Boyes, Warsaw

The Solidarity movement has accused the Polish Government of having exaggerated the voter turnout figures in Sunday's parliamentary elections.

The Government, which claims that Solidarity's voter-counting methods are so flawed that they border on fiction, says that 78.8 per cent of voters went to the polls

But a statement issued on Thursday by Mr Konrad Bielinski, the main "underground" expert on elections, declared that according to a secret Solidarity count at 1,865 polling stations, 66 per cent of voters cast their ballots.

World's grain output likely to be record

By John Young
Agriculture Correspondent

World grain production is expected to reach a record 1,884 million tonnes, 39 million tonnes more than last year, according to estimates by the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization.

Crop prospects have notably improved in Africa, including many previous drought affected countries, and several are expected to produce surpluses. With abundant harvests and no serious regional crop failures, world cereal trade will fall sharpy, it says.

Despite measures to reduce output, world milk production continues to exceed demand, and output of edible oils and oilseeds is also forecast to reach record levels.

EEC and Asean set up cash-flow panel

From Paul Routledge, Bangkok

European and South-East Asian governments are to set up a top level body in the newly industrializing countries of the Pacific rim.

Ministers from the EEC nations and the six of the Association of South-East Asian Nations (Asean) concluded two days of talks here yesterday with agreement on a working party involving businessmen and particularly bankers, to facilitate the flow of funds.

Asean governments, anxious over the increasing dependence of their countries on Japan and America for investment, accepted that this mechanism would stimulate European interest.

The working party, which will report early next year, will concentrate particularly on ways and means of persuading small and medium-sized firms to invest in South-East Asia.

It is being set up largely to placate Asean demands for a regional "presence" of the government-funded European Investment Bank, which EEC nations insist is inhibited by statute from putting cash into project outside Europe.

The European Investment Bank, however, "be requested to play a positive and constructive role, on the basis of its financial expertise," according to a statement issued after the conference.

Mr Paul Channon, Minister of State at the Department of Trade and Industry, who led the British delegation, argued: "Asean nations will get what they want – more investment – if sensible investments can be found."

The final communique confirmed a two-year extension of the five-year-old co-operation agreement between the trading groups, but fell substantially short of the many demands tabled by Asean countries.

For instance, there is no immediate answer to proposals for easier access to the European market for a range of Asean exports from snails and pineapples to ball bearings.

Asean leaders last night were quietly congratulating themselve on having got the European Investment Bank drawn into the picture.

Their understanding, privately confirmed on the EEC side, is that this will lead ultimately to public as well as private funding for joint projects in South-East Asia.

Greenpeace protest ends in a draw at Mururoa

Papeete, Tahiti (Reuter) – Greenpeace the anti-nuclear protest ship, has left Polynesia to end a two-week confrontation with French authorities with both sides drawing some comfort from the campaign.

France had fielded a formidable array of military, judicial and media weaponry to deter the ecologists from any spectacular action against the top-secret nuclear test site at Mururoa Atoll.

But in the end it was a mechanical break-down on the 200ft ocean-going tug that brought a premature end to its protest.

In a final ironic message on Thursday thanking the French for their "cooperation". The Greenpeace skipper, Mr Jonathan Castle, said that his engineers had made temporary repairs to a defective power unit and that the flagship was returning to New Zealand.

The decision is seen as an admission that the French have forced a stalemate in their game of maritime chess, played with verve and skill by both sides on a vast board in the South Pacific.

The honourable draw appears to be mutually acceptable.

As the ship, which has been banned from territorial waters throughout Polynesia, sailed, the Greenpeace spokesman Mr Gero Leipolo, said: "Never has there been such a focus of attention on the testing at Mururoa. If we achieved nothing else, we at least achieved that."



Sophie Ramshaw with Rex's Dickin Medal yesterday.

Rex's 'VC' for museum

The Imperial War Museum in London put on display yesterday mementoes associated with Rex, a sniffer dog, which recovered more than 60 buried victims of the V1 raids during the last war.

One of the exhibits is the Dickin Medal (the "animals' VC"), awarded to the dog in 1945 for its work. The exhibits have been donated by Mr S. P. Ramshaw, Rex's owner, who with his grandaughter Sophie and other family members, was present for yesterday's ceremony.

(Photograph: Peter Trievnor)

Police officer fined £1,000

Chief Inspecter George Cowling, aged 54, of Exmouth, Devon, was fined £1,000 yesterday for his part in covering up for a police sergeant who crashed his car after drinking.

Judge Goodall said he would normally have jailed the officer but was showing mercy because he recognized that he had acted out of sympathy for others.

Cowling admitted attempting to pervert the course of justice by falsifying records after Sergeant Ronald Brenton crashed his car.

Cowling was told of the accident and, after visiting Sergeant Benton's home and seeing his wife, who was in tears, ordered a false report making it look as if the Sergeant reported the accident when in fact he had not.

McGlinchey charge dropped

A charge against the former Irish National Liberation Army leader, Dominic McGlinchey, of attempting to murder a police officer was dropped yesterday when he appeared briefly at Ennis District Court, Co Clare, in the Irish Republic.

McGlinchey, who was re-extradited to the republic last week after a murder conviction in Ulster was quashed, still faces charges of possessing a firearm with intent to endanger life and shooting to resist arrest.

Woman held on theft charge

Mirella Beechook, aged 25, of Rotherhithe, south-east London, who is awaiting trial for the murder of her daughter, Tina, aged seven, and Stacey Kavanagh, aged four, was remanded in custody in her absence until Monday by Camberwell magistrates yesterday on a shoplifting charge.

Rat tricksters

Two men claiming to be rat catchers have been robbing elderly people in Catford south-east London. The men release their own white rat and as one keeps the householder occupied the other rifles the house, the police said.

Hong Kong fear of new British nationality status

Hong Kong (Reuter) – Ethnic Indians in Hong Kong yesterday condemned British plans for a new form of nationality for people in the colony once it returns to Chinese rule in 1997.

The Council of Hong Kong Indian Association, a group representing some of the colony's 15,000 Indians, said that the new status would ultimately result in their having no nationality. "Passports will continue to be issued (by Britan) to residents of a territory over which it will have relinquished sovereignty," it said.

Britain unveiled on Thursday a draft law creating a British National Overseas status, which carries no right to live under British rule. About 3.3 million of Hong Kong's 5.5 million people are affected. It may not be passed on to children born to BNO passport holders. The draft law will be debated in the British Parliament this year.

Natinality is a sensitive issue in the territory. Peking regards all ethnic Chinese in Hong Kong as its nationals regardless of whether they hold a British passport.

Mod lifts gaelic spirit in difficult year

From Ronald Faux, Fort William

The Mod, the Scottish equivalent of the Welsh Eisteddfod, drew to a close in Fort William yesterday in what has been a difficult year for An Comunn Gaidhealach, the organization which promotes the Gaelic language.

The week of piping, recitation and traditional gaelic songs was to have been staged at Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada, but the cost and logistics of moving the event across the Atlantic proved insurmountable.

Then came the dismissal of Mr Colin Spencer, the movement's education specialist, a Mancunian gael and long-serving officer who successfully took An Comunn to a tribunal for unfair dismissal.

Finally there has been the need to settle down alongside Comunn na Gaidhlig (the Gaelic Association), which has been granted An Comunn's educational role together with £19,000 of its annual income.

Mr John Maciver, of Stornaway, president of An Comunn, said yesterday that the decline of gaelic had been stemmed and more people were now taking up the challenge and the literature of the language.

"The last census showed there were 80,000 who speak gaelic fluently and several thousand mor learners can be added to that number. The indications are that the number is no longer falling and it is up to us to make sure the position continues to improve," Mr Maciver said.

An Comunn has produced a strategy "to develop gaelic nationally and locally as a living language", and where possible, giving it equal status with English.

One proposal had been to ban the use of English at the Mod but this was ruled as unfair to those students of gaelic in the early and difficult part of their learning.

Campaign to axe funds for tropical forest projects

By Tony Samstag

An international campaign to protect the world's tropical forests is to focus on stopping many development projects financed by the World Bank and other multilateral agencies, it was announced in London yesterday.

Speaking at the launch of a 26-nation "Forests for Survival" campaign, Mr Bruce Rich, legal adviser to the American Natural Resources Defence Council, cited the decision of the World Bank in March to suspend $250 million (£166,000) of loan disbursements for a controversial development project in western Brazil as evidence that development banks may have to take account of environmental considerations.

The agricultural and road-building project in Polonoroeste, Rondonia province, was halted after dseveral American Congressmen complained that conditions for the protection of Indians and of the environment had not been met.

Friends of the Earth, speaking for teh coalition of voluntary groups involved in the campaign, promised "a co-ordinated international lobby of executive directors" of the various development banks concerning several projects.

In Brazil, the campaign seeks not only to stop the funding of the Polonoroeste scheme but to try also to persuade the World Bank and the European Development Fund that the $62 Billion Grande Carajas industrialization scheme, ehich would cover 800,000 square miles of Amazonian rain forest

A controversial "transmigration" scheme in Indonesia, involving 500,000 Javanese families, will be another target.

Tropcal forests are vanishing by some estimates at the rate of more than 20 million hectares annually, an area greater than Great Britain.

A growing body of scientific opinion is convinced that deforestation, often aggravated by grandiose development projects, is responsible for many of the famines and other apparently natural disasters of recent years.

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Anxious State Department seeks to avoid Angola tangle

From Christopher Thomas, Washington

The Reagan Administration is agonizing over whether to resume military aid to the anti-communist Unita guerrillas fighting Angola's Marxist Government. In a bitter internal debate the State Department stands alone in trying to head off direct American entanglement in the conflict.

A key problem is that aid to Unita would have to be channelled through South Africa, the main paymaster and military supplier of the guerrillas. That would draw the United States into a closer relationship with the Pretoria Government at the very time that it is imposing punitive measures to try to force it to abandon apartheid.

Britain, whose embassy in Angola acts for the United States, is fiercely opposed to American aid for Unita, which has made it clear in Washington that its priority is to acquire anti-tank and anti-aircraft weapons to combat new Soviet-supplied MiG fighters, Hind helicopter gunships and tanks.

The United States estimates that the Soviet Union has provided more than $1 billion worth of military equipment to Angola since January 1984.

The Administration is studying the possibility of a trade embargo against Angola, a move strenuously urged by conservative Republican groups. The aim of proponents of tough action against Angola is to send a message to the Kremlin that the United States will react harshly to stepped-up Soviet-supported offensives against anti-communist groups such as Unita, the Afghan rebels and the Nicaraguan Contras.

The US supports, as a matter of principle, Unita's efforts to resist Soviet designs in Angola, the State Department said in a reference to large-scale Soviet aid to Luanda and the presence of Cuban troops there.

But the US believed firmly that a solution to the interrelated conflicts of Namibia and Angola could best be achieved by negotiations, which "will lead to the withdrawal of all foreign forces from Angola and the independence of Namibia."

The statement said that the Administration had made no proposal for assistance – "either overt of covert – to any Angolan party.

The Contras are getting $27 million of "humanitarian" US aid between now and March, and Congress has just voted to give $250 million in military aid to the Afghan fighters. But there seems to be considerable scepticism on Capitol Hill about aiding Unita because of the perception that it would put the US and South Africa into a close alliance.

Even so, there may be less opposition now because the Soviet Union and Cuba have demonstrably stepped up their military involvement in Angola. The US has never had diplomatic relations with the Angolan Government.

The CIA and the Pentagon support aid for Unita, which was cut off by Congress in January 1976 after the Popular Movement for the Liberation of Angola (MPLA) took control of the country in a bitter war and power struggle which Unita lost.

Opponents of aiding Unita say that an open US alliance with the fighters would seriously undermine America's efforts to negotiate South Africa's withdrawal from Namibia. They say US policy should concentrate on trying to negotiate an independence settlement for Namibia and the withdrawal of Cuban troops



Bishop Desmond Tutu telling a Cape Town gathering that he had made an appeal to President Botha of South Africa to stay the execution of Benjamin Moloise, the black poet; outside the jail in Pretoria where Mr Moloise was hanged yesterday, Mrs Winnie Mandela, wife of the jailed black leader Nelson Mandela, and Mme Marina Bockel wife of the French Embassy cultural attaché in Pretoria, in mourning.

Passports of students seized

Cape Town (AFP) – The passports of eight students of the Afrikaner University of Stellenbosh, who were to visit Zambia next week for talks with the African National Congress, have been seized by government officials, the students said.

Their spokesman, Mr Philip Verster condemned the action and said the proposed talks represented "a bona fide attempt by members of Afrikaner youth to contribute towards possible improvements in the country's present crisis".

Sir Robert turns a deaf ear

From Nicholas Ashford
Nassau

Sir Robert Armstrong, the Secretary to the Cabinet, is not usually known for his faulty hearing.

Yet his mishearing of a statement by Sir Lynden Pindling the Bahamas Prime Minister and host of the Commonwealth conference, created chaos among conference delegates, embarrassment to British officials and anger among the journalists.

Sir Robert thought he heard Sir Lynden announce that Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Foreign Secretary, had been named to head an eight-man committee of foreign ministers to draw up a Commonwealth declaration on South Africa.

Given that Britain is in the dock at the Nassau summit on the issue of South Africa, this would have been a big coup for the British.

Sir Robert hurried off to tell British spokesmen of Britain's success and the spokesmen duly passed the news on to the British press who flashed it to their offices in London.

An hour later harassed and embarrassed British officials rushed about announcing that it was all a terrible mistake. There was no committee on South Africa and no special role for the Foreign Secretary to play.

What Sir Lynden had actually announced was that India had been named to head a special committee of foreign ministers to prepare a special declaration expressing the Commonwealth's support for the United Nations.

Man who could lead Australia

Thatcher admirer waiting in wings

From Stephen Taylor, Canberra

Mr Bob Hawke may be among Mrs Thatcher's keenest adversaries in the debate over South Africa sanctions, but the Australian position is not immutable. The alternative to Mr Hawke in Canberra is a politician of such sharp conservative views that he sometimes takes even Australians aback. He is an admirer of Mrs Thatcher, and says he would be supporting her at Nassau in her opposition to sanctions.

Mr John Howard, leader of the opposition Liberal Party for just six weeks, is better known at home for his determination to modify the centralized wage-fixing system which makes Australian wages uniformly high and manufacturing generally uncompetitive. His stand would almost inevitably bring a Howard administration into conflict with the trade unions. It is for his views on labour deregulation that for Australians he invites comparisons with Mrs Thatcher.

"I understand why the comparison is made", he said in an interview with *The Times*. "There are similarities – the small business background, perhaps even a Methodist influence. I've got great respect for the lady."

Mr Howard, who replaced the moderate and urbane Mr Andrew Peacock as Opposition leader, said that not only would he be opposing sanctions if he was representing Australia at the Commonwealth summit, but a Liberal Government would scrap the selective sanctions introduced by Mr Hawke in August. Although these sanctions are essentially superficial they go further than those announced by the US and the EEC.

He acknowledges that such views would lose Australia many friends among Commonwealth nations. "It may be a minority view, it may be an unpopular view, but I think it is sensible. Crushing (South Africa) economically is not going to help anyone."

"For there to be any medium-term peaceful future there has to be a lot of understanding all round."

For all his bluntness on South Africa, Mr Howard has little interest in international affairs, and foreign issues will generally be left to Mr Peacock, now shadow Foreign Minister, who held the portfolio with distinction in the Fraser Government.

It is on labour deregulation that he warms to his subject. In stating his intention of "tackling the soft end of union power" he speaks of breaking the system under which all wages are fixed through centralized arbitration, and would seek to do this by allowing employers and employees to agree wages and conditions individually.

Mr Howard denies that this would lead to confrontation with the unions.

Embarras de richesse

Family dominates wealth league

From Diana Geddes, Paris

Seven women and nine members of the Schlumberger family are among the top 20 wealthiest people in France, with personal fortunes ranging from more than £10 million to nearly £200 million, according to the *Nouvel Observateur* magazine.

Only four of the top 20 made their fortunes: the aircraft engineer M Marcel Dasault, aged 93, with an estimated fortune of 1.5 billion francs (£130 million) takes second place in the list; M Sylvain Floirat, aged 86, a self-made businessman who started life as an apprentice cartwright, is fourteenth with Fr250 million; the building constructor M Francis Bouygues, aged 63, whose prefabricated homes made his name a byword in France, is seventeenth with Fr200 million; and M Jean Olivier, aged 60, the little-known inventor of pipe fittings that join together without having to be soldiered, comes twentieth with Fr130 million.

The richest person in France, according to the *Nouvel Observateur*, is Mme Liliane Bettencourt, with an estimated fortune of Fr2.1 billion largely inherited from her father, Eugene Schueller, a chemist and creator of Ambre Solaire suntan lotion, among other things.

In equal second position with a fortune of Fr1.5 billion is Mme Geneviève Seydoux, daughter of Marcel Schlumberger, who founded with his brother, Conrad, the huge Schlumberger multi-national company.

Mme Seydoux's children, Véronique, Michel, Jérôme and Nicolas, feature in fourth, equal seventh and ninth positions respectively.

On the other side of the family, Mme Anne Gruner-Schlumberger, daughter of Conrad, comes equal fifth with Baron Edmond de Rothschild, with an estimated fortune of Fr1.1 billion.

M Nicolas Boissonnas, grandson of Conrad Schlumberger, is thirteenth with Fr300 million, and M Pierre Schlumberger, son of Conrad, follows with Fr250 million. Mme Sylvie Boissonnas, mother of Nicolas, comes eighteenth with Fr150 million.

Baron Guy de Rothschild, great-grandson of the founder of the bank of that name, who is often considered one of the richest, if not the richest, man in France, comes only twelfth with a relatively modest fortune of Fr400 million.

Eta leader returns from exile

From Richard Wigg
Madrid

The Spanish Government's quiet campaign to break up Eta, the Basque separatist organization, has received a fillup with the return from exile of the repentant Señora Maria Dolores González, known as "Yoyes".

She is the highest-ranking Eta leader to have taken advantage of the Government's "rehabilitation" scheme, returning from more than five years in Mexico, where she was a university lecturer in sociology. Now aged 31, she will settle down near San Sebastian as a housewife, bringing up her three-year-old son.

The committee of Basque refugees in south-west France, which represents Eta militants' interests, has condemned Señora González for "stooping to achieve a personal way out and repenting".

According to the police, "Yoyes" was involved in planning the assassination of Admiral Luis Carrero Blanco, Franco's Prime Minister, in Madrid in 1973, and later was one of the military wing's two chief executives.

She also helped to draw up the so-called "alternative programme" which remains Eta's recipe for an independent and Marxist Basque country.

Señor José Barrionuevo, the Interior Minister, announced last week that about 150 exiled Basques could now come home without facing court proceedings

Ex-prisoner tells of Iran torture

By Our Foreign Staff

Lieutenant Talal Latif Salim, a blinded casualty of the Gulf War, yesterday told in London how he had been forced as a prisoner in Iran to renounce Christianity and to become a Muslim.

A former tank commander in the Iraqi Army, he is one of five disabled soldiers touring western Europe to publicize the plight of about 55,000 Iraqis still languishing in Iranian camps.

Lieutenant Salim, aged 29, said he had been beaten while in the camps and forced to change his religion. the former prisoners said that torture was standard treatment in the camps; it was intensified after Iraqi air attacks on Iran's main oil terminal at Kharg Isand.

Lieutenant Salim partly blames his blindness on an Iranian surgeon in a Tehran hospital in 1982. "A piece of shrapnel is lodged in my right eye, but the left eye he removed was sound, apart from a blood clot."

● *Ship attacked:* Iraqi aircraft yesterday damaged a ship in the Gulf and claimed yet another attack on Kharg Island (Our Bahrain Correspondent writes).

The ship was identified as the Panamanian-registered Oriental Champion, sailing from Hong Kong with a crew of 24. The hull was damaged by an Iraqi-fired Exocet missile and a small fire broke out; but no injuries were reported.

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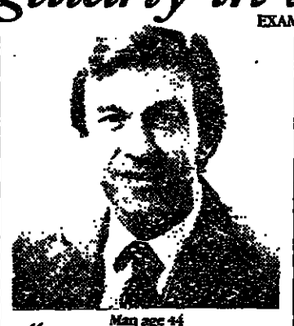
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Legal hitches may delay trial of Achille Lauro hijackers for year

From Patricia Clough, Genoa

The four Palestinian hijackers of the *Achille Lauro* cruise ship may not be brought to trial for months or even a year because of the complexities of the Italian legal system, justice sources said yesterday.

The prospects of a quick trial vanished yesterday when Dr Francesco Meloni, a Genoese investigative magistrate, said that a formal dispute had arisen between the Genoese and Syracusan judiciaries as to who should prosecute.

Then he ruled out the possibility of a trial *per direttia*, a speedy procedure used for simple and uncontested cases.

But the Italian authorities are bound to come under great pressure from the Americans to prosecute with the speed to which Anglo-Saxon countries are accustomed.

We don't want to see rapidity at the price of justice, but we would like the justice done swiftly," an American embassy official in Rome said.

Dr Meloni said that the Genoese magistrates had decided formally to claim the case, since the crime was apparently plotted in Genoa.

The Syracuse magistrates, who have been investigating because the Palestinians were arrested there, would be informed by letter and asked to respond. Then the issue would be put to the Court of Cassation for a ruling, he said.

Once this had been given – probably in at least two weeks – the whole case will be passed to the *giudici istruttori*, who formally prepare the case.

One of these told *The Times* that they might well have to make their own additional investigation and apparently simple cases often turned out to be very involved, especially if there were foreign elements.

He said it was difficult to predict how long it would take, but "it could even be around a year".

Two shots killed cruise victim

Rome – Mr Leon Klinghoffer, the American tourist who died in the Achille Lauro hijacking, was killed by two gunshot wounds from a Kalashnikov machine gun, a post mortem examination has revealed here (John Earle writes). One shot traversed the head from the forehead to the back of the neck, and the other entered the torso.

A magistrate who attended the examination at the Rome Institute of Forensic Medicine said: "There is no doubt. Leon Klinghoffer was killed." Mr Klinghoffer, aged 69, did not die from a heart attack, as alleged by some members of the Palestine Liberation Organization.

The body was flown to Rome after being washed ashore on the Syrian coast. The examination was attended by a team sent by the US authorities – a representative of the consulate, a doctor, FBI agents and an expert brought from a base in West Germany.

The result of the examination will be vital evidence in the trial of the four hijackers held in central Italy.

The Italian press has carried interviews with a Portuguese sailor, aged 27, who described how he and the ship's Italian hairdresser were forced at gunpoint to throw the body of Mr Klinghoffer into the sea.

The Palestinians are charged with kidnapping for purposes of terrorism, which carries a jail sentence of between 25 and 30 years, and with murder, which carries a sentence of life imprisonment.

Dr Meloni ruled out the possibility of extradition to the United States unless they were acquitted in Italy. The current US-Italian extradition treaty does not allow for people to be tries twice for the same crime, he said.

He denied firmly suggestion that a fifth Palestinian on board the Achille Lauro, who left the ship at Alexandria before the hijacking, could have been the Venezualan terrorist "Carlos". Informed sources here say that the man, described as balding and in his 50s and known as Floros Petros, is believed to be a Palestinian named Mr Abu Amar.

The Italian anti-terrorist squad and *carabinieri* also dismissed reports that Mr Abu Abbas, the Palestinian leader suspected of having organized the hijacking, had been in Genoa in the weeks before the Achille Lauro sailed. Local newspapers had said he had been seen in local cafes, hotels and night clubs masquerading as a seaman.

Armed with a mass of evidence culled from interviews with some 400 crew and passengers on board the ship, Dr Luigi Carli, one of the Genoese investigating magistrates, yesterday again questioned the four hijackers.

Meanwhile, the liner was steaming south on another Middle East cruise with nine FBI agents on board examining the ship and questioning crew members.

As it left on Thursday night, cabin No 82, said to have been used by the hijackers, was covered in fingerprint dust, mysterious wires came out of the doors, and FBI men inside were anxious not to be disturbed.

Some if not all of the agents are expected to stop off at Naples, probably to interview crew members who did not rejoin the ship. Most of the Achille Lauro staff are Neapolitan.

Dr Meloni said that 20 of those on board are considered important witnesses, including four eye witnesses to the murder of an American passenger.



The Princess of Wales, on her first solo official function outside Britain, shaking hands with wellwishers during a walkabout in the Charlottenburg district of the British sector of Berlin. She is visiting the British garrison.

Israel study counts cost of PLO attacks

From Ian Murray, Jerusalem

Nineteen people have died and more than 100 have been injured in attacks by the Palestine Liberation Organization since February 11, according to an Israel White Paper issued yesterday.

February 11 was when King Hussain of Jordan and Mr Yassir Arafat, the PLO chairman agreed on a joint approach to Middle East peace. The 26-page White Paper was to prove that the PLO has never stopped being a terrorist organization.

The report, said to be based on detailed intelligence information, was delayed and cut by the official censors even though much of its information has already been published.

It traces the current wave of attacks to a PLO meeting in the Regency Hotel in Amman in December, when it is said that it was agreed to form a new strike force against both Israel and Mr Arafat's rivals.

This was to be spearheaded by a reconstituted Force 17, the elite unit originally set up as Mr Arafat's personal bodyguard, but now to be upgraded to 800 men to carry out raids and smuggle arms into Israel with the help of a monthly budget of $100,000 (£70,000).

The report claims Force 17 had little success until the murder of three Israelis in Lanarka on September 25 by a group which included the Englishman Mr Ian Davison. Biographies of him and his two Palestinian colleagues are included to show that they were members of Force 17.

The report says that some information was obtained by interrogating a Force 17 member captured on board one of two yachts which tried to reach the Israel coast in August.

Details about arms suposed to be smuggled into capitals round the world in diplomatic bags used by PLO representatives were cut from the report by the censors.

The paper seeks to show how well estabilshed the PLO has become in Jordan and clams that there is now a force of about 600 Fatah members in Amman. In addition there is said to be a 1,500-strong force of Palestinians under the command of the Jordanian Army.

Copies of the report are beng translated into six languages for world-wide distribution as part of the Israeli campaign to have the PLO written out of any peace negotiation.

Nicaragua foils guerrilla plot to bomb city-centre offices

From Alan Tomlinson, Managua

Security forces in Nicaragua have arrested a group of US-backed Contra guerrillas and seized explosives intended to blow up targets in the capital.

Commander Tomás Borge, the Interior Minister, said that five members of the Honduran-based Nicaraguan Democratic Force (FDN) had been detained a week before the declaration on Tuesday of a state of emergency.

They had planned to blow up an electricity sub-station, two bus depots, a supermarket and the offices of the Soviet airline Aeroflot, according to plans found on them. They were detained before the order to start their campaign was transmitted in code over the rebel radio.

In a speech justifying the state of emergency, Señor Borge offered no evidence other than the names of the five men arrested, but said that further details would be made available.

He asked: "Who can doubt that we are at war?" He went on to say that the Contras had sought to restore their morale and to justify the aid they were receiving from the Reagan Administration, which wanted "to rub the Sandinista revolution from the political geography of the world".

He added: "But to carry out their project to liquidate us they need the help of internal allies", referring to "those who use the speech, the editorial and the sermon" as part of a CIA plan to destabilize the country. He was clearly pointing to right-wing parties, the Opposition newspaper *La Prensa* and the Roman Catholic Church hierarchy, in particular the Archbishop of Managua, Cardinal Obando y Bravo.

Those who broke the revolutionary law would face the consequences no matter who they were, he said, adding that political and religious activities which remained within the law would not be affected by the emergency.

Señor Borge complained that the effects of the emergency were being manipulated abroad. There had been "no curfew, no martial law, no tear gas" despite the war, sabotage attacks and assassination attempts.

Meanwhile, opponents of the Government have been reacting to the state of emergency which has suspended most civil rights. Cardinal Obando told reporters after a Mass that "it seems as if we are moving closer to totalitarianism".

Señor Virgilion Godoy, leader of one of the main opposition parties, the Independent Liberals, said: "The legal mechanisms are in place for large-scale repression".

● WASHINGTON: Nicaraguan rebels and Honduran officials are disputing what happened to the first shipment of renewed US aid to the insurgents, and American officials say they still are not certain about the supplies' fate (AP reports).

The boots, clothing and medicine were flown out of New Orleans on October 10. But they then entered a twilight zone of conflicting claims and accusations.

Senior Honduran officials said this week the supplies were seized upon arrival in Tegucigalpa. They added that future shipments would be barred. But Nicaraguan rebel leaders insist that the supplies had reached their intended destination – base camps along the Honduras-Nicaragua border.

Armoury blast

Bangkok (Reuter) – A string of explosions ripped through a navy armoury, killing two people and wounding two others.

Filipinos batten down the hatches against typhoon

From Keith Dalton, Manila

The most powerful typhoon in 15 years buffeted the central Philippines yesterday with heavy rain and wind gusts up to 136mph, but skirted north of the crowded capital, Manila.

Typhoon Dot roared in from the Pacific and battered the coconut-rich provinces of Camarines Norte and Bicol, knocking out the region's communication lines with Manila.

Its winds had dropped from a peak of 148mph before it hit land, and it veered slightly north-west, causing the weather bureau to alter its prediction that the storm's centre would pass directly over the city. By 2am it would be 25 miles north of Manila, the bureau said.

The typhoon, spawned south of Guam several days earlier, carried a 190 mile-wide rain area. Emergency bulletins were flashed over radio and television all day.

Throughout the day Red Cross and relief agencies brought in lorry loads of food and medical supplies to evacuation centres. All international and domestic flights were cancelled, and inter-island passenger ferries and coastal vessels were ordered to port.

Typhoon Dot, the sixteenth weather disturbance this year, is the strongest since 1970, when Typhoon Joan battered the country with 170mph winds. The most destructive was Typhoon Ike, which killed 1,400 people in the central Philippines last September.

● Marcos rebuff: The Philippines Supreme Court, in a landmark decision, has denounced as a "flagrant violation of human rights" the power of President Marcos to detain indefinitely or to rearrest people acquitted of national-security crimes.

The unanimous decision cuts deep into the President's sweeping arrest powers, which he has continued to wield since martial law was lifted in 1981.

Brazil land reform chief quits

From Susan Branford, São Paulo

Senhor José Gomes da Silva, president of Brazil's agrarian reform institute, Incra, has resigned. He gave no explanation, but is known to have been bitterly disappointed by the eleventh-hour changes introduced by President José Sarney into the agrarian reform Bill announced a week ago.

The rural workers' union said yesterday that it regretted his departure deeply. It well understood, however, that "as a man who has fought for agrarian reform all his life, he could not carry out his new plan, which is a present to landowners and the opposite of what was intended by President-elect Tancredo Neves".

The landowners, in contrast, were jubilant. Their association said that Senhor Gomes had been responsible for an "unrealistic" plan, which had agitated the countryside.

Washington friction top priority

Italy seeks successor to Craxi

From John Earle, Rome

President Cossiga of Italy completes a round of consultations today on the appointment new head of Government as friction continues between Italy and the United States.

His meetings have included talks with the former President of the Republic, the presidents of the two houses of parliament, and representatives of the parliamentary parties.

President Cossiga has to name a successor to Signor Bettino Craxi, whose coalition fell in the dispute over the release of Mr Abu Abbas, the Palestinian leader whom Washington had wanted arrested for his role in the Achille Lauro hijacking.

The Republican ministers disagreed with Signor Craxi's decision and withdrew from the Government.

Signor Nino Martinazzoli, the outgoing Christian Democrat Minister of Justice, entered the polemic yesterday. He said that the US demand for Mr Abbas's arrest a week ago did not have even the minimal elements required by the Italo-American extradition treaty. Washington wanted Mr Abbas to be held pending extradition while he was in an Egyptian aircraft on Italian soil.

The Italian press has been full of criticism of Washington since Signor Craxi's account to parliament on Thursday of an apparently trigger-happy administration preparing to intervene militarily in the hijacking, of a confrontation between Italian and American troops after the forcing down in Sicily of the airliner carrying the hijackers and Mr Abbas, and of unauthorised interference with the airliner's subsequent flight.

La Repubblica wrote: "The arrogance of the United States is not acceptable even to a country like ours which is aware of its limits and errors."

The conservative *Corriere della Sera* of Milan said that even staunch Nato supporters in Italy felt they had been treated by Washington like a colony.

Karlsruhe (Reuter) – West German passengers from the Achille Lauro were involved in a fatal collision at Rastatt just south of here on Thursday night when their bus ran into a motorway pile-up.

Three died, including the co-driver and tour guide of the coach carrying pasengers from the Italian liner. They were returning from collecting their luggage in Genoa.

Five more people were seriously injured and 17 slightly hurt, but a police spokesman could not say how many Achille Lauro passengers were among the casualties.

The 16-vehicle pile-up happened when two lorries collided and hit oncoming traffic.

Peres ends US talks with plea for Jordan to accept 'hand of peace'

From Michael Binyon, Washington

Mr Shimon Peres, the Israeli Prime Minister, had a final round of discussions yesterday with Mr Caspar Weinberger and Mr George Shultz, the US Secretaries of Defence and of State, to discuss further his "hands across the Jordan" peace offer to King Husain of Jordan.

Mr Peres said after meeting President Reagan on Thursday that he was ready to meet the Jordanians without preconditions to explore Middle East peace options.

With the President beside him, he declared: "With our hand of peace extended across the Jordan river, we call upon our eastern neighbour to heed and accept this sincere invitation." He made no mention of a Jordanian-Palestinian delegation which the King insists must take part in any talks with Israel.

Observers doubt whether his new peace offer will lead to an early breakthrough in the impasse in direct talks between Israel and Jordan.

These have been virtually buried under an avalanche of bitterness and recriminations in the Arab world over US support for the Israeli air raid on the Palestine Liberation Organization's headquarters in Tunis and the US seizure of the Egyptian aircraft carrying the *Achille Lauro* hijackers.

Mr Peres praised lavishly President Reagan's handling of the hijacking, and Mr Reagan said terrorism must not blunt the search for peace. The two expressed surprising optimism about "real opportunity" for negotiations, but gave no indication that they had found a formula on how the present American-backed plan is to go forward.

Putting an end to a Scilly little war

Amsterdam – The Dutch Foreign Ministry is dusting off age-old treaties to find out whether or not The Netherlands has been at war with the Scilly Isles for the past 334 years (Robert Schuil writes).

In a letter to The Netherlands Embassy in London Mr H. R. Duncan, chairman of the city council of the Scillies, has "begged for peace", offering in the first instance a truce.

According to Mr Duncan, in 1651 the Dutch Admiral Maarten Tromp, at the head of a squadron of 12 men of war, summoned the people of the Scilly Isles to place themselves under his authority. When they refused, he declared war.

Although not a shot was exchanged, the war was never formally ended by a peace treaty. Mr Duncan maintains, and he has invited The Netherlands Ambassador in London to come to the Scillies next year to sign such a treaty.

Ladies' nights trip over law

San Francisco (Reuter) – The California Supreme Court has ruled that bars offering "ladies night" and other businesses that offer discounts specifically for women are violating the state's civil rights law.

A 27-page decision ruled that the state law banning discrimination based on sex forbids the granting of special prices to women.

Free to move

Budapest (Reuter) – A veteran Hungarian dissident, Mr Gyorgy Krasso, aged 53, said that police surveillance which had limited his movements for a year had been lifted.

Pope down mine

Iglesias (Reuter) – The Pope descended 1,200 ft down the Monteponi silver, zinc and lead mines in Sardinia and talked to miners about the difficulties and dangers of their work.

Youths cleared

Port Moresby (Reuter) – Papua New Guinea's National Court has acquitted four youths of raping two New Zealand women and a nine-year-old girl just over a year ago on the grounds of insufficient evidence.

Ershad flies

Dhaka (Reuter) – President Ershad of Bangladesh has cut short his visit to the Commonwealth Summit in the Bahamas after a roof collapse at Dhaka University killed up to 100 students.

Ban lifted

Delhi (Reuter) – India has lifted a ban on foreign journalists travelling to Assam in a sign that the crisis in the north-eastern state is over.

Exit visa

Moscow (AP) – Irina Grivnina, a 40-year-old Soviet woman once prosecuted for protesting against Soviet abuse of psychiatry, has been given permission to emigrate.

Aids research

Hanover (Reuter) – The University of Göttingen is to establish a professorship to promote research into Aids.

Trolley song

Melbourne (Reuter) – Australia's major supermarket chains are using helicopters to track down lost shopping trolleys, a problem which costs them more than £3 million a year.

Risky play by Kasparov leads to chess draw

From Raymond Keene, Moscow

The seventeenth game of the world chess championship was drawn on Thursday night after 29 moves. The champion, Anatoly Karpov, neutralized the special line of his challenger, Gary Kasparov, against his favourite Nimzo-Indian Defence, and the draw was agreed in an absolutely level queen and knight end-game.

Kasparov now leads by nine points to eight with a maximum of seven games to play. The winner is the first to take six games – Kasparov has won three and Karpov two – or whoever is ahead after 24 games.

The first eight moves duplicated those of game 13, but then Karpov produced a totally new idea 9 . . . N-R4 attacking Kasparov's exposed pawn at QB4.

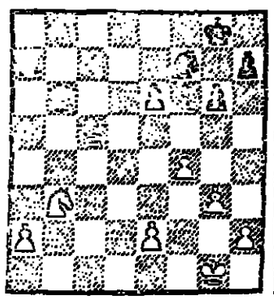
Kasparov, surpised by this manoeuvre, devoted 43 minutes to his 10th move reply and a further 37 minutes to his 11th move.

Many grandmaster experts found Kasparov's conduct of the late opening inexplicable. He appeared to be weakening his own position with risky play.

Seventeenth game
White Kasparov, Black Karpov
Nimzo-Indian Defence

1	P-Q4	N-KB3	2	P-QB4	P-K3
3	N-QB3	B-N5	4	P-K3	P-B4
5	P-KR3	B-R4	6	B-N2	N-K5
7	B-Q2	QxP	8	P-QR3	O-O
9	O-O	N-B4	10	P-N3	Q-B2
11	N-Q4	KR8	12	QxN	N-B7
13	Q-N5	P-B3	14	Q-B4	N-R4
15	N-N3	R-R1	16	Q-Q4	P-QN3
17	P-QB4	N-B2	18	KR-Q1	R-Q1
19	P-K4	P-KR3	20	B-B3	RxB
21	PxP	RxP	22	P-Q5	R-B3
23	QR-Q1	P-Q4	24	PxPep	R-B1xP
25	Q-N3	RxRch	26	KxR	P-N3
27	Q-QB1	RxRch	28	QxR	Q-N3ch
29	Q-B5		30		

Drawn



Europe security meeting ends on positive note

Stockholm (AP) – The 35-nation European security conference concluded its seventh session here yesterday, a few days after it agreed to open informal discussions on concrete military measures.

The Stockholm Conference on Confidence and Security-Building Measures and Disarmament in Europe began 21 months ago.

The United States said there was much work still to do, and the Soviet Union complained that the West was trying to avoid discussing the very type of military forces used to start the Second World War.

"This conference has just crossed a threshold. We have, I hope, decided to leave procedure behind and concentrate on substance," the US ambassador, Mr Robert Barry, said. But "let us reflect on nearly two years of discussion which have done little to make Europe more secure or confident."

The Soviet ambassador, Mr Oleg Grinevsky, described the session as unusual, noting that "its work can be described this time as positive".

Spy who leaked pictures to Jane's convicted

Baltimore (NYT) – A former US naval intelligence analyst has been convicted of charges of espionage and theft for giving secret photographs to a British military journal, *Jane's Defence Weekly*, and having other secret information in his home.

The verdict was returned by a jury in federal district court here.

The analyst, Mr Samuel Morison, a civilian, was found guilty of all four counts in the indictment. A grandson of the naval historian Samuel Eliot Morison, he faces a maximum sentence of 40 years in prison and $40,000 in fines.

It was only the second time the US Government had used the espionage laws to prosecute an official or former official, for disclosing secret information.

In the other case, Daniel Ellsberg and Anthony Russo were found guilty of having copied the Government history of the Vietnam war.

The prosecutor in the Morison case said he hoped that the new verdict sent a message to other people with access to secret information.

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When court ought not to decide point of law

S. L. Sethia Liners Ltd v State Trading Corporation of India

Before Lord Justice Kerr, Lord Justice Ralph Gibson and Sir Denys Buckley

[Judgment delivered October 14]

On an application by a plaintiff for summary judgment under Order 14 of the Rules of the Supreme Court and a cross-application by a defendant for a stay under section 1 of the Arbitration Act 1975, the court, if satisfied that the defendant had an arguable case, ought to refuse summary judgment and, if the arbitration agreement were proved, to grant the stay, but it ought not to determine any question in the dispute to be arbitrated in the defendant's favour, even if it were a pure point of law.

The Court of Appeal so held, allowing an appeal by the defendant, State Trading Corporation of India, from an order of Mr Justice Staughton who on April 25, 1985 had granted an application by the plaintiff, S. L. Sethia Liners Ltd, for summary judgment on its claim for US $38,716 demurrage, plus interest, refusing the defendant's application for a stay under section 1 of the Arbitration Act 1975 for the claim to go to arbitration.

Mr Graham Dunning for the defendant; Mr Richard D. Jacobs for the plaintiff.

LORD JUSTICE KERR said that usually, on an application for summary judgment under Order 14, if a point of law were raised which the court felt able to decide without reference to the facts or evidence, purely on submissions, the court would determine it one way or the other.

The fact that the dispute was the subject of an arbitration agreement did not preclude the court from considering the plaintiff's claim and whether there was any arguable defence to it. If it concluded that the plaintiff was clearly right in law, judgment would be entered for the plaintiff under Order 14, because in reality there would be no dispute between the parties and nothing to be arbitrated. In those circumstances, it would not avail the defendant to have raised a point of law which the court could see was in fact bad.

However, if the court either concluded that the plaintiff was not right or found the point to be of some difficulty and considered it appropriate to be argued fully, the court would give leave to defend and would be bound to grant the application under section 1 of the 1975 Act.

The court must never, if satisfied that the defendant had an arguable defence, go further in the case of a dispute subject to an arbitration agreement and hold the defendant's contention to be correct and then give leave. Such an approach had been emphatically rejected in *Pineman Ltd v Wellbeck International Ltd (The Times*, October, 18, 1984; (1984) 129 SJ 66).

If the court considered that the defendant was or might be right, leave to defend should be granted and the whole dispute referred to arbitration.

If the court were to rule on the point raised in the defendant's favour, it would still be bound to refer the dispute to arbitration under section 1, but the arbitrators would be bound by what the court had decided on the question of law.

That would result in a dispute which the parties had agreed to refer to arbitration being decided in part in court, with the remainder going to the arbitrators. That would undermine the purpose of section 1 of the 1975 Act and the policy of that legislation and of the Arbitration Act 1979.

Under the 1979 Act and the decision of the House of Lords in *Pioneer Shipping Ltd v B. T. P. Tioxide Ltd (The Nema)* [1982] AC 724 and *Ittalo Campania Navera SA v Salen Rederierna AB* [1985] AC 191, it was only in a very limited number of cases that the court was given the opportunity to determine issues of law in disputes which the parties had agreed to refer to arbitration.

His Lordship had considerable reservations about that regime, but it was the law, and it would not be proper for the court to determine the point of law raised in the dispute and refer the remainder – to arbitration; that was a jurisdiction which the court did not have and should not accept.

Having agreed to arbitration, the parties were entitled with it unless they were prepared to waive the whole arbitration, which the parties here were not.

The point raised by the defendant was a difficult and clearly arguable matter, and therefore there ought to be leave to defend, and the defendant's application for a stay should be granted.

Lord Justice Ralph Gibson and Sir Denys Buckley agreed.

Solicitors: Holman Fenwick & Willan; George J. Dowse & Co.

Display is no introduction

Brookes v Retail Credit Card Ltd

The provision of display boxes and credit application forms did not amount to the introduction of a person seeking credit to a consumer credit business within the terms of section 145 of the Consumer Credit Act 1974.

The Queen's Bench Divisional Court (Lord Justice Lloyd and Mr Justice Tudor Evans) so held on October 14, dismissing the prosecutor's appeal by case stated against an acquittal by Windsor Justices.

The prosecutor, a trading standards officer laid two informations alleging that the defendants were in breach of section 39(1) of the 1974 Act as applied by section 174(1) of that Act; and that they did aid, abet, counsel or procure the commission of the said offence contrary to section 8 of the Accessories and Abettors Act 1861. Both were dismissed.

LORD JUSTICE LLOYD said that if the provision of display boxes and credit application forms did amount to an introduction, then any bank, hotel and so on would need a licence.

His Lordship also said that the justices had fallen into error by stating that section 170 of the 1974 Act excluded all criminal offences; if so, it would necessarily exclude liability for conspiracy to commit offences and also liability for any attempt an offence under the Criminal Attempts Act 1981.

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Television: last night's view

A Smear Campaign in the Well Being series (Channel 4) examined cervical cancer. The ironic title referred both to the practice of smear testing and the idea, purportedly put about by male researchers, that female promiscuity and cervical cancer are linked.

To support the theory that there is a misogynist conspiracy both in the medical profession and in the world at large, the programme featured a group of women who had had cervical cancer talking about their experiences. Unfortunately, the leading questions put by the interviewer, which should have proved the existence of a smear campaign, did no such thing. The programme-makers ought to have thought more about their own manipulative tendencies, and less about those of the male world.

Three thousand women die each year unnecessarily of cancer of the cervix. The programme certainly proved the modern laser treatment for this is simple and painless. Unfortunately, because it kept straying into areas of ideology, the film seemed only 60 per cent successful in getting this across. With a subject as important as this, it is a crime to achieve less than 100 per cent.

Albion Market (Granada) is a soap opera with a difference. It is mainly shot on a set which for once looks like a real place, and because of the space offered, great use is made of the tracking camera. After decades of static angles on *Crossroads* and *Coronation Street*, it is a relief to see the camera being used properly, as film-makers have been doing for 50 years.

This praise must be balanced with a quibble about technique. Because of the speed with which the action takes place, and the way the actors have been encouraged to talk to one another without paying too much attention to the camera (no doubt to heighten the "documentary" feel of the programme), it is sometimes difficult to understand exactly what is being said.

Now the War is Over (BBC 2) continued its look at post-war Britain with *A Home of Our Own*. It started strongly with excellent footage of families hungry for a home squatting on a Scunthorpe military base but then seemed to lose its way. Not until the end did it regain one's interest with its dissection of the housing debate which raged at the time: "Quantity or quality?" Sadly, as we all know, quantity won the day.

The brilliant closing shot of a woman at the window of her high-rise flat, a motorway rippling beneath her like a river, showed television used to best advantage.

Carlo Gébler

Long Distance Form: *Blue Peter*, 27 years on, by Mark Lawson



The *Blue Peter* team: Simon Groom with Goldie, Janet Ellis with Jack the tabby, and Peter Duncan

The B-team's winning formula

In Ethiopian art, wicked people are painted in profile with only one eye showing. White sand is white because sea cucumbers filter it through their bodies. To breed tortoises in domestic captivity, it is best to place them in the airing cupboard as soon as fertility begins.

I have learned these things this week from Blue Peter, the flagship in the BBC's children's fleet which, last Thursday, reached its 2,004th edition in its 27th year. "Flagship" is apt: explaining the programme's title, the official *Blue Peter* handbook – signed by the three presenters and paw-marked by the pets – points out that the Blue Peter is the flag hoisted when just out of harbour: an expression of adventurous intent. In th same way, the programme "is like a ship setting out on a voyage, having new adventures and discovering things".

How fares the voyager now? The first thing is to refute the suggestion, made by friends with children and free afternoons, that the show has declined. It seems to me a model of a product which knows its market; its sophistication is its sheer simplicity.

Just as *Punch* was always funnier in the past, so children's television is always said to have been better "in our day". This is probably because we were children then. Children's television is criticized by those who, being adults, have outgrown it. Switching on to see a sheep being sheared, we say "again?", forgetting that, for a new set of viewers, there is no *déjà vu*. A regular 4,000 letters a week is eloquent and probably irrefutable evidence of continuing strength.

I understand the objections. *Blue Peter* has a reputation for safety; its voice is educated middle-class, the emphasis is on achievement – "congratulations!", "well done!", "that's a great thing to have done!", trill the trio of presenters; and it is stressed that the Blue Peter badges – Blue, Silver, Gold and Competition – must be earned. "Gold badges are only awarded for really outstanding achievements – for instance, saving someone's life", warns the handbook.

The problem is that the programme extends the inequalities of everyday education; the children winning badges are almost certainly the same set which accumulates sticky-paper stars, house points and book prizes at school. The jungle law endured from 9am to 4pm extends into the early evening.

It is also true that, alongside *Grange Hill* and *John Craven's Newsround* – the new and realistic series of the mid 1970s – *Blue Peter* can seem old fashioned in its innocence. The presenters increasingly resemble 1950s teenagers preserved by the formaldehyde of a television format. The latest trio – Simon, Janet and Peter – uncannily echo characters in Enid Blyton's *Famous Five* books: Simon is public school *Julian, decisive and sobering*; Peter is the erratic and unruly younger brother, Dick; and *Janet is equivalent to Blyton's* Jane, a pretty little thing who sets up questions for the men to look clever. *Forget the Famous Five*, here come the Television Three.

But now the case for the defence. It is interesting that, as a concession to the recession, the number of making and baking items seems to have been reduced; too many homes might now be unable to afford the exact ingredients or materials. That may not be radicalism, but it *is* responsibility, which seems to me a quality to be prized in a programme *in loco parentis* to six million viewers between one and 16 years of age.

I also believe that we should take seriously, at a time of much debate on the future of broadcasting, the claim of the programme's long-serving editor Biddy Baxter that *Blue Peter* is archetypal "public service broadcasting". There are parameters and taboos but the programme is effectively sent in the direction which the correspondence suggests. Largely by children, always for them, *Blue Peter* addresses and reflects its audience's preoccupations and how many series on television for grown-ups can claim that?

Nor is it, as has been suggested, a tasteful screen held up in front of suffering. *Blue Peter* viewers are shown Ethiopia and told that they can help by giving.

Blue Peter is bright and lively, flitting, with comically tenuous links, from subject to subject. We are in the garden, judging the tallest sunflower contest. *Cut to studio.* "From the tallest to the smallest", says Janet, dishing out booby prizes to the *smallest* sunflowers grown by viewers. Cut to Simon. "There's nothing *small* about Australia. It's huge." *Cut to sheep farm in New South Wales.*

A succession of shallows; local trivia and world tragedy getting 90 seconds each. A format maddening at times, and open to attack, but probably not unlike a child's mind. Which is the point.

Radio

Frightening reality

My radio has been frightening me quite a lot these last few days and never more effectively than with Mark Halliley's and Mark Jordan's No Go City – How Close? made for Capital Radio.

Both these reporters have done impressive work before, both have been commended by international juries for their documentaries and last June Mr Halliley turned in Love 'em and Leave 'em (also for Capital) which took a terse, sharp look at teenage sexual attitudes in the light of the so-called Gillick ruling preventing doctors prescribing contraceptives to girls under the age of 16 without parental consent. Some favour of programme content may be given if I tell you that young Lothario, whose phrase supplied the programme title, did not employ the word "love" – although the activity to which he referred is often mistaken for it.

No Go City was made before the latest riots on various housing estates around London, including Broadwater Farm, and it painted a forbiddding *picture of what amounts to* unbridled tyranny and gang warfare. On such estates there may be five or six gangs which vie with one another, only uniting, as they did in Tottenham, against the police. Otherwise West Indians fight Africans and both fight the Pakis and the Vietnamese boat people who, against strong competition, are reckoned to be the most savage of the lot.

Ordinary citizens go in fear of all of them. One shopkeeper described how he keeps an iron bar in the shop and a pan of water constantly on the boil in the room behind it. He also has a large dog. A couple with children told how they had been forced to flee their home after the husband had agreed to be a police witness. The inhabitants in general appear to have given up hope that the police can or will protect them.

In short and in the tradition of his earlier programmes, Mr Halliley had obtained some very trenchant and uncomfortable material indeed, yet some of the most alarming was deceptively low-key. "Isn't it going to end up pretty messy?" Halliley asked a group of gang members. "It's going to", they said, and said it in the tones of people who intend to make quite certain that it does and will then thoroughly enjoy it.

The discussion following the documentary (with a conservative and a labour MP and a senior policeman) was upstaged by what had gone before it, to which it seemed to me to bear even less understanding and appreciation of what the talkers had just heard than such sessions usually do.

I was frightened, too, by Dorothy Gilbrooal's The Judge's Wife (Radio 4 Monday; director Susan Hoge in Belfast) even though it was only a play. That it came at almost the same moment as the death of Lord Diplock may have given it some extra edge, for it dealt with the vulnerability of a judge sitting without jury in a Diplock Court whose wife is kidnapped – her life to be traded for the acquittal of an IRA prisoner almost certainly guilty of murder. So Mr Justice Martin (John Rowe) is able with a tolerable show of regularity to declare crucial evidence as inadmissable and the accused goes free – but to howls of execration from the waiting crowd and with Martin's own life now threatened by the opposing faction. What this play did well was to suggest how the tentacles of terror can so easily break through and imperil the fragile weave of justice and ordinary life.

But perhaps the week's most disturbing programme – the fortnight's, I should say, since it came in two parts – was the File on 4 team's *The War of the Worlds* (Sundays, repeated Thursdays; producer, John Drury) for this touched on a state of affairs which if it cannot be checked and balanced, may lead to unrest on a scale we have not yet seen. The nub of the matter is that for various reasons to do with the United States' budget deficit, the dollar rides high and America is being flooded with cheap imports. Many of its industries – notably cars, textiles, shoes – are feeling the draught and see no way of excluding it, given the low level of wages in competing Third World industry, except by tariff barriers. So protectionism finds champions, despite the very strong probability that if many of the 300 items of legislation at present before Congress ever reach the statute book, they will undermine the burgeoning economies that are also buyers of US exports and bring down disaster anyway.

The War of the Worlds, compiled from Michael Robinson's interviews and presented by him, has been a model of how to put over a complex subject and how to pitch one that is alarming. Such treatment is supposed to dissipate alarm; in this case, however, it could not help but leave the very strong impression that no one knows exactly what to do. Nor how to do it if they did.

David Wade

Theatre

A vulgar pantomime

The Caucasian Chalk Circle

Young Vic

Brecht's optimistic fable about the triumph of natural justice – a boo-and-cheer piece clanking with irony which nowadays sounds rather rusty – needs all the help it can get in terms of visual presentation.

Marty Flood's design for this Oxford Playhouse revival has an enormous sub-Steadman cartoon for its backdrop, showing a deranged giant striding over blood-spattered tanks above the legend: "He who wears the shoes of gold tramples on the weak and old". So now we know.

Mr Flood's costumes for the tramplers and the trampled resemble Liberty's window run riot, with the Governor and his wife teetering about on stilts festooned with stridently coloured fabrics, the humble peasant folk clad in tasteful beige, and the nasty Ironshirts wearing cod-Samurai uniforms of bamboo breastplates.

Richard Williams's production is similarly overladen with musical decoration from the pen of Stephen Warbeck. No scene, however short, can be allowed to pass without being summarized in song; this presents a challenge to Elaine Loudon's Narrator which her voice is not equipped to meet.

The ensemble of "ethnic" instruments comes into its own when Grusha (Jackie Lye) and Lavrenti (Peter Macqheen) discuss her marriage prospects to the accompaniment of the spring thaw.

The trial sequence of the second half requires an agile buffoon to play the capricious, levelling judge Azdak, and Sylvester McCoy fits the bill to a nicety. Ensconced on his bamboo throne he crowns the public prosecutor's spiked helmet with a half-eaten apple and hammers away with his gavel like a fractious toddler.

The play is, of course, a vulgar pantomime with political trappings, and makes Jarry seem a wit by comparison – which must be a mistake.

Martin Cropper

Echoes of the truth

The deliberate death of a Polish priest

Almeida

Ronald Harwood begins this reconstruction of the Popieluszko trial with a sermon from the murdered priest. Its purpose is not so much to assert his obvious credentials as a saintly figurehead of the Solidarity movement as to supply a means of judging the posthumous events. "To be alive", Popieluszko declares, "words have to be written by pens soaked in the truth."

This line echoes throughout the chop-logic, evasions, and sophistries of the ensuing court proceedings: though it applies less to the three writhing defendents Piotrowski, Pekala, and Chmielewski (now all serving prison sentences) than to the prosecution and senior State Security officials wriggling their way off the hook.

Splitting hairs between murder and manslaughter, between misinformation and disinformation, they stand condemned by the fact that their language is stone dead. As Auden once remarked of tyranny through the ages: "The monster lolls with hands on hips / While drivel gushes from its lips."

In condensing the 1,000-page transcript into a two and a half hour performance, Mr Harwood has eliminated the extraordinary open conditions of the trial and omitted some of the most memorably ironic exchanges at the time.

He succeeds, however, in focusing a glaring light on the central issues: intercutting testimony so as to combine retrospective narrative with documentary immediacy, and bringing on Popieluszko's driver (the only murder witness) as a spokesman to report background rumours and awkward questions. When the judge abruptly terminates the cross-examination of General Platek just as it is moving in for the kill, it is the driver (Brian Cox) who voices the suspicion that the trial is under the control of a security surveillance team.

Kevin Billington's production is as resplendently cast as Riverside's reconstruction of the Biko inquest. Derek Newark and John Shrapnel twist themselves into knots of authoritarian anti-Catholicism. Rosamund Greenwood, as the venerably indomitable Professor Byrdy, exhibits the blood and vomit-stained relics as if in a spirit of pure scientific inquiry.

As the three killers, Jim Broadbent, Roger Lloyd Pack, and Stuart Wilson present an appearance of stunned guilt, which may be authentic or a sympathetic mask.

Catherine Ashmore



Struan Rodger as Father Popieluszko

But the mask abruptly falls from the enraged face of Piotrowski (Mr Wilson) when he refers to his guarantees of immunity, and rounds on his cunning superiors. A Polish friend tells me that Popieluszko's successor at the Stanislaw Kostka Church is a Father Piotrowski.

Irving Wardle

Opera

The Merry Widow

Sadlers Wells

Those as happily hooked on *The Merry Widow* as I have long been will find a generous measure of enchantment at Sadler's Wells, where a new production on Thursday night launched the five-week season by New Sadler's Wells Opera, the independent company formed to specialize in such works, which has given us memorable productions of *The Gypsy Princess* and *The Count of Luxembourg* in previous years.

And now it is Lehár's turn once more. *The Merry Widow* is not quite indestructible, and she has on occasion been put in peril of her stage life, but the wonderful work as a whole does respond to the affection of those involved in it. There can be no doubt of this in the approach of two key figures: Barry Wordsworth, who conducts the most haunting of operetta scores with a true feeling for its style and charm, and Nigel Douglas, who directs it with some long overdue elegance.

He reminds us in his own programme-notes that he has performed it in German, several hundred times during a much-admired career as a singer, mainly in Vienna, but for this production he has made his own English translation.

What is more important is that the characters mostly come to life in music with a new sense of their old identities, and have been dressed with amazing beauty of costume in turn of the century style by Nadine Baylis. The curvilinear set designs by Camilla Ashforth complement the singers who, with the six dancing girls "from Maxim's", have been choreographed by Stuart Hopps into movements and steps of uncommon grace as well as zest.

First to take advantage of this is Eiddwen Harrhy, successor to a famous line of leading ladies as Hanna Glawari. Almost a lookalike, in her stage appearance, to the picture of Lily Elsie in the programme, she sang with warmth and sensibility, combining traces of country background in her Parisian venture ("That's it, and all about it" is her new recurring tag-line), with caressing beauty of phrase in the *Viljalied*.

She has an insouciant suitor in Alan Oke's dashing, nicely modulated Count Danilo, and a resilient Pontevedrian Ambassador in Julian Moyle. Glenn Winslade's Rossillon could be more relaxed in portraying a Parisian heartthrob.

Noel Goodwin

Dance

Sleeping Beauty

Covent Garden

When the lights went down at Covent Garden on Thursday night before the conductor had entered the pit, I wondered whether the Royal Ballet was to depart from tradition by starting its season without "God Save the Queen". It turned out, however, that they were merely expecting us all to stand in the dark. Daft, I call that, especially for the folk perched precariously aloft in the steeply-sloping amphitheatre.

Thereafter, the musical side of the evening was happily managed in the capable hands of Mark Ermler, guest conductor from the Bolshoi. Perhaps it was not quite so consistently exciting as we heard from him last season, but no doubt the dancers found these tamer tempi more sympathetic, and he did bring a true Tchaikovskian tone from the orchestra.

That was just as well in view of the greater prominence given to the score by some changes to the production in Act II. The moving backcloth for Florimund's boat journey to the castle, where Aurora lies sleeping, has been given up (understandable, after the deplorable state it was in when last seen); instead, the boat sails swiftly off and a frontcloth falls, leaving our imagination and the panorama music to effect the voyage.

Once arrived, however, Florimund's entry to the chateau is more ceremoniously managed than before, with some magically opening gates and a new tableau to end the awakening scene, followed by an almost instantaneous change to Act III. I am told that we owe these improvements to suggestions by Anthony Dowell in his new capacity as associate director. His, too, was the idea of restoring Carabosse's sudden exit through a trapdoor after putting Aurora to sleep; another welcome change. Can we hope next for Carabosse's attack on Cattalabutte's wig and hair to be reinstated?

The performance found the company in competent but less than sparkling form. A markedly tepid reception for the Prologue was no surprise; we have learned to expect that the first cast for the six fairy solos is not necessarily the most brilliant, and only Ravenna Tucker found much glitter for her solo, the third.

Things brightened with Lesley Collier's arrival as Aurora in Act I. She has danced the solos more securely before now, and doubtless will do so again, but in the big adagio showpiece with her four princely suitors she did beautifully. It helps that she understands how much the climactic balances depend on just how and when the arms are raised, and how the dancer looks at her partners.

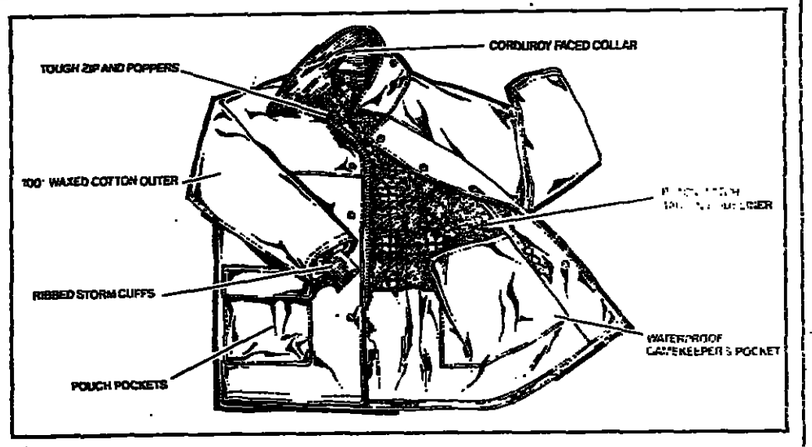
When Stephen Jefferies joined her as Florimund in the last two acts, their rapport in the duets and in the acting raised the level again. Jefferies also seemed not yet fully worked in for his big bravura solo: a properly straightened knee in his *mangé* would be welcome, for instance. But the earlier slow, reflective solo was done with a splendid pliancy.

Fiona Chadwick brings poise and style to her solos as Florine, and Phillip Broomhead danced vigorously as Floreştan in spite of being newly reconstumed as a florist's window display.

John Percival

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SPORTING DIARY

Rex Bellamy

Centenary trebles

There seems to be no stopping Wimbledon when it comes to centenaries. Next year's championships for the men's singles will be the 100th. The committee is wondering what to do about it. "Buzzer" Hadingham, the chairman, says ideas "haven't crystallized yet," which is another form of the Reaganism, "We're working on it". Wimbledon has appointed a subcommittee to sort out the good ideas from the bad. Rumour has it that the sorting office has given the thumbsdown to another parade of champions, on the basis that it is possible to have too much of a good thing. Such parades marked the 100th anniversaries of the championships (1977) and the women's singles (1984). But Alan Little, honorary librarian at Wimbledon's museum, is already engaged on a men-only version of his 1984 booklet about the women's champions.

Having her cake

There are growing suspicions that the women's tournament at the Brighton Centre (October 21-27) is scheduled around the October 22 birthday of Barbara Potter. The Connecticut left-hander has advanced to the Wimbledon quarterfinals three times in the past four years and is otherwise known as an intellectual with artistic and musical leanings – and a vocabulary so cultivated that it sometimes baffles the press. She likes European food, too, which may partly explain these Brighton birthdays. As usual, the biggest local bakery is concocting a special cake with a tennis motif. I can also tell you exclusively that she will be presented with a framed picture of the Brighton seafront as it was at the turn of the century – when shops stood on the site of today's tennis battleground.

The close-knit Potter family are known to one another as "Barbie Bear", "Bobbie Bear" and so on. Consequently the birthday card will bear the awful pun "Happy Bear Day". Grisly, isn't it? Or grizzly. Note, too, that the end of the tournament will coincide with the end of British Summer Time.

BARRY FANTONI



'Perfect; they can beat each other up'

Arriviste

Inter-City has not wasted much time on shunting the forthcoming British national squash championships to a railway station. The traditional site, Sheffield's Abbeydale Park, down the road from one of Egbert's 9th century battlegrounds, has been discarded in favour of Bristol. The later rounds will be played on a see-through court (a fish tank for sporting piranhas) installed on the old trackbed of the Brunel Terminus.

What a racquet

The battle of sexes, that fashionable sporting cliché, took a new form this week at the Vanderbilt Club, Shepherd's Bush. A clash of genders also featured experts in different sports. William Boone and Randall Crawley, world doubles champions at the fastest of court games, racquets, challenged Annabel Croft and Virginia Wade for a game of tennis. All are Vanderbilt members. In front of 400 invited guests, the ladies started favourites at 5-4 on and just managed to justify it. But 6-3, 2-6, 7-5 was close enough to convince both pairs that they have made their point.

The Davis Cup tie that took Britain back into the first division seemed interminable. It began on grass but eventually went into an extra day and was moved indoors. Whereupon, one of the 15 reporters playing musical chairs with four telephones observed sadly: "There's no point in me rushing about. Both my readers have died since this tie started."

Still singing

Olivier Merlin, who writes for *Le Monde*, is a septuagenarian *bon vivant* with a voice that would have made the late Louis Armstrong sound like a tenor. The tirelessly versatile Merlin has produced books on bullfighting, boxing, motor sport, music, dancing, opera and, most recently, his first novel, *Milady*. This concerns the Countess of Carlisle, once a high-stepper at the courts of England and France, who was imaginatively portrayed in *Les Trois Mousquetaires*. Her romantic attachments included the Duke of Buckingham and Richard Lovelace, the poet. Merlin calls his book *Un chant d'amour pour l'Angleterre*. Merlin is the kind of man who sings songs of love all the way to the grave.

Sent off – back now as umpire

Washington

It must rank as one of the most astonishing comebacks in Western political history. Ten years ago he was a broken man, disgraced, humiliated, ridiculed, hiding in the fastness of his Californian retreat from the hated press, which he blamed for his downfall.

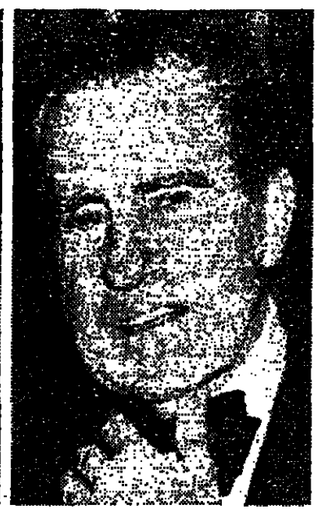
Today, he is everywhere. Open the newspapers and learned journals, and there his statesmanlike observations are quoted with respect. Look at the speakers attracting the biggest audiences, and there he is having to turn them away at $150 a seat. Turn on the television, and there are the familiar jowls, a little flabbier now, as he pontificates on world events and his central role in them. Richard Nixon is undoubtedly becoming America's most visible elder statesman.

His rehabilitation has gathered pace even in the past year. To be sure, 10 years after his resignation in 1974 he was already doing nicely. There were no longer problems with outraged residents not wanting him in their neighbourhood. Nixon is now a very wealthy man, and his taxes – now that he is paying them – undoubtedly are welcome in New Jersey, where he lives. But as President Reagan has begun to discover the importance and perils of summitry, and as arms control has again become the big topic in foreign policy, so America has increasingly begun to listen to the man who started it all.

Reagan has openly acknowledged seeking the advice of his predecessor-but-two on how to deal with the Russians. Ironically it is the liberal commentators, the very men who rained anathemas on Nixon in office, who are now urging him to do so. For Nixon, "neither soft on the Soviets nor sanguine on arms control", as the *Washington Post* noted approvingly, does indeed look



1974: bowing out



1985: bouncing back

cogent and experienced as the Reagan administration stumbles towards Geneva. He was, after all, the US vice-president as long ago as 1952, a year after Reagan had finished filming *Bedtime for Bonzo*.

Particularly striking is the change in public perception of Nixon in comparison with Henry Kissinger. The man who reaped the credit as a modern-day Metternich in office has been looking less impressive as the years fade. His ingratiating pliability of position has looked too much like an attempt to return, whereas Nixon, with the calm reflection of one who cannot return, has begun to exude disinterested wisdom.

It is Nixon who is welcomed back, again and again, to China, where the recent pictures of his exultant impromptu piano recital for Chinese children will remain in the history books of great-power diplomacy. And it is Nixon who is now called upon to interpret the shifts in 40 years of East-West relations for prime-time television.

Of course Nixon has two great advantages. First, he is virtually alone as an elder statesman. Gerald Ford never aspired to the claim in office; out on the golf course now, he talks mainly to audiences who will pay or to corporation boards jostling to put his name on their letterheads. Jimmy Carter is still too recent and, as in the Kremlin, ex-presidents will always be unpersons to their immediate successors.

Second, Nixon has skilfully based his rehabilitation entirely on his foreign policy record. Foreign affairs are the stuff of history books, though not of popular debates. The domestic achievements fade from public memory and are all too easily liable to rewriting and debunking by successive administrations, as champions of the late President Johnson have found. And even when Nixon does mention Watergate, he does so with apparent distanced detachment. "You see, the Russians perceived that I was mortally wounded at a stage by Watergate . . ." he was saying the other day on television, explaining his foreign policy options.

People always accused Nixon of being a plastic personality and he has moulded himself into his new persona with ease. He looks well, he speaks well and he sums up well. He has steered a clever course on such current controversies as the strategic defence initiative – supporting a Republican administration, of course, but sounding the requisite notes of caution. As he says, even enthusiastic supporters say that a total defence of the population would not be possible before the next century. "This is small comfort to those who live and die in this century," he observed, winning the immediate attention of at least a fifth of the population.

Most Americans still have a visceral reaction to Nixon. His public reappearance has done little to lift his popularity rating from the abyss it reached when his helicopter lifted him off the White House lawn for the last time. But even this may change.

In one of his most astute moves, the former president, a lifelong baseball fan, has agreed to play a pivotal role in an area of public policy that touches all American hearts: he has agreed to arbitrate in a wage dispute between major league baseball owners and the umpires, heading off a threatened strike. His ruling may yet save the day before the opening of the World Series and rescue his domestic reputation.

Michael Binyon

Jeremy Seabrook casts doubt on the new conservationists

Why light green isn't good enough

During the party conferences it was extraordinary to observe the extent to which all the main political parties, whatever their rhetoric, offered variants of an antique and familiar British obsession – nostalgia. Even when invoking the undreamed-of wonders of the next phase of technological revolution, their hearts remain fixed at an earlier stage of Britain's development.

The Conservative Party, preoccupied with the "revival" of entrepreneurial skills, "restoring" Britain to her rightful place in the world, "returning" to old values, is clearly hankering after a replay of the industrial revolution, preferably without the messiness of industry.

The Labour Party, for its part, plans the "regeneration" of Britain's industrial base. That is a sort of ghost-dance religion: only restore basic industry, and everything will be as before. It takes no note of irreversible changes, not only in the occupations but also in the psyche and sensibility of the working class. Indeed, buried in its millennarian fantasies, the left nurses the hope that the proletariat will not default a second time on its historic mission. In other words, it wants another go at history.

The Liberal/SDP Alliance longs for the abandoned consensus, nostalgia for a more recent era which lends it a more modern appearance than those older yearnings.

All the main parties claim to be radical, but nothing could be farther from the truth. The only real rupture with the ossified pieties and the institutionalised nostalgia is to be found elsewhere, ironically in a party that is always being accused by the others of being a romantic and impracticable exercise, based on an irrecoverable attachment to the natural world which has long been forfeited in industrial society.

The Green Party is criticized for wanting to go back, to return to the past, to put back the clock. And yet it is the movements aiming at human consolations which do not depend on money – the common thread uniting ecologists, feminists and those in the peace movement – that are the powerful forces of our time.

It was in 1979 that the real tragedy struck the Ecology Party (as it was then). It had begun to feel that its arguments were making significant headway in mainstream political argument – until the success of Mrs Thatcher and, more importantly, the emergence of the Alliance. The real radical departure in contemporary politics which the Ecologists represented was blurred by an illusory new party with its rhetoric about breaking the mould. All that had happened was that a fissure had appeared on the line of the old politics. The diminishing of argument, the trivialising of political debate that stemmed from that process has been a seriously disabling influence on the formulation of any real alternative that would contest the ability of capitalist growth to ensure a sustainable, civilized life in Britain.

That the break occurred in the wrong place has left many people puzzled and stranded; often in the wrong party, certainly locked into archaic and uncomfortable postures on the false side of a deep and real ideological divide. The Greens believe that the 1980s will come to be seen as a wasted decade, a time when all the energies seething below the surface were captured in such monumental sterilities as speculation about what the Queen might do in the event of a hung parliament.

The Greens note with concern the recent competitive greening of all the other parties. This is their oblique tribute to the recognition that a real radical break is possible. But the other parties are unlikely seriously to engage the ruinous consequencies of global economic growth and the global human impoverishment that attends it. Their greening remains nothing more than a faint discoloration of their colour-fast party hues.

One of the most intractable problems facing the Greens is the criticism that they are privileged



people, constructing sunny Utopias remote from the "real world". The primary task is to break the illusion that more of what we have now will bring relief to the poor.

The great material inequalities have to be confronted and a truly redistributive system evolved which will unite the poor with the personal development movement, not antagonise them. The Greens speak of appealing to another form of self-interest than that which identifies "better off" simply with having more money. There are things that cannot be accounted in the balance-sheet obsessions of this society, and which simply drop from sight, which must be given new prominence – happiness and misery, for instance; freedom from fear; anxiety about the world in which the children are growing up; the risk of cancer from radiation; the danger of sickness from market-induced patterns of eating.

There is nothing romantic about the position of the Green Party. Quite the reverse, it confronts all the baleful consequences of capitalist growth, the human as well as the economic.

At the same time, the party does not disdain traditional wisdom. If we have learnt nothing from our squandering of perhaps three-quarters of the earth's resources – and more than that as far as fossil fuels and the tropical forests are concerned – the Greens believe it bodes ill for the way we propose to use what remains.

Many people are exasperated with the triviality of what passes for political discussion in Britain. Beneath all the banalities about the broken mould, the way forward, the future of Britain, the real radical break has still to occur. It is true that the Greens in Britain have forborne to spell out their message too clearly, because it is a deeply upsetting one: The holy grail of permanent industrial growth is an illusion. When it does so, its members may no longer be regarded as those rather nice people who love nature.

In compensation, the many thousands of people who find that the resonances of feminism, of personal, rather than economic growth, of peace and environmentalism, of our relationship with the poor of the earth as well as with the earth itself can no longer be contained within any of the existing parties, may well provide an energy that will prove irresistible.

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Pilgrims at the shrine of St Jerzy?

Warsaw

A black marble cross, huge and squat, a parade of flowers and behind, on the perimeter fence, Solidarity banners that say: "Father Jerzy we will vote only for the Virgin Mary" and, quoting the late Polish leader Marshal Pilsudski, "To be defeated and yet not accept it, that is victory".

This is the grave of Father Jerzy Popieluszko, the Solidarity chaplain, who was murdered a year ago today by a group of secret police officers.

All this week there have been masses for the different communities – steel workers, students, nurses, actors – which were ministered to by Father Popieluszko. Yesterday on the eve of the anniversary of the murder, the Primate, Cardinal Jozef Glemp, preached at Popieluszko's church, Saint Stanislaw Kostka, in northern Warsaw. The gesture is significant: during the priest's life the primate often reprimanded Father Popieluszko for his political commitment. Nowadays he describes Popieluszko as a "patriotic priest" and recognizes the groundswell of pressure in Poland for his beatification.

Will Father Popieluszko become Solidarity's saint? The Church certainly regards him as a martyr – for faith, freedom and truth, according to the many banners and ribbons to be seen in Polish churches – and there is hope that if the Pope returns, as planned, to Poland in 1987 he will initiate the first steps towards beatification.



April 1985: a tribute from Sir Geoffrey Howe

It would be an unusually quick move, especially as the political controversy around Father Popieluszko will not have been settled but, as one Warsaw bishop put it privately: "The Pope has wide powers of discretion – and he deeply respected Popieluszko."

To help the process along, the parish priest at Stanislaw Kostka, Father Teofil Bogucki, is collecting a list of miracles or at least acts of healing – one boy for example left his crutches behind – at Popieluszko's shrine. The church has become a focus of pilgrimage not only for visiting western politicians. Malcolm Rifkind and Sir Geoffrey Howe among them, but also for thousands of Poles who pour out of buses every weekend and most weekdays. A kiosk does a fast trade in Popieluszko badges and flowers, bought outside the church fence, pile up on the grave and at three wooden crosses marking the stages of his last journey on October 19.

Popieluszko's killers meanwhile languish in prison. The initial suspicion that the killers would disappear from view, be given false identities and the protection of their former police colleagues has proved to be false. The principal murderer, Grzegorz Piotrowski, a former section head in the secret police, now shares a cell with one of his accomplices, Waldemar Chmielewski. During their trial, Piotrowski had flashes of arrogance and precious little remorse while Chmielewski showed every sign of having suffered a nervous breakdown. Now both men wear prison uniform, work in the prison printing press and are allowed the usual quota of food parcels and television privileges – a black and white set that is brought into the cell in the evenings. In this respect they are not treated differently from other long-term prisoners.

Two other members of the murder plot, ex-Colonel Adam Pietruszka and the former Lieutenant Leszek Pekala are kept separately and have no contact with Piotrowski. This is perhaps just as well because the self-confident Piotrowski tried first to pass on the blame to Colonel Pietruszka and then, in the appeal process, to Pekala. Neither man would be eager to share a cell with him.

There is now talk of a new amnesty for political prisoners and Popieluszko's killers must be wondering whether they too will benefit. They will probably be excluded if only because of the length of their sentences – between 14 and 25 years – but the prospect of their release sends shudders of alarm through the parish of Stanislaw Kostka. A year has passed, but still the wound is open.

Roger Boyes

John O'Sullivan

Nothing fails like success

New York

I broke the news of the successful US interception of the Egyptian plane and the arrest of the four Achille Lauro hijackers to a distinguished liberal journalist at a cocktail party. She paused for a moment, perhaps to control her emotions.

"Well," she finally said. "Reagan certainly looked foolish contradicting himself on television today."

It was a brave attempt to salvage something from the wreckage. And what remarkable wreckage of liberal theory on terrorism there briefly was. The US, by its decisive action, had defied all the confidently defeatist assertions that it had no "options" in the fight against terrorism except "restraint." It had employed force. It had treated diplomatic considerations as secondary. And it had triumphed. None of this was supposed to happen and, for a moment, it disconcerted the liberal media as completely as it had disconcerted my cocktail party companion.

But only for a moment. As I read the editorials over the following weekend, I found myself astonished at their brilliant recovery. It was as if a platoon of soldiers, scattered and in the utmost confusion after a direct artillery hit, had almost instantly returned to their positions and were soon marching, countermarching, wheeling and carrying out the most intricate parade ground manoeuvres in perfect harmony.

Their first manoeuvre was perhaps their most brilliant and most ruthless. They welcomed the US interception in the warmest terms: "Exhilarating" (*New York Times*) and "splendid" (*Washington Post*).

Indeed, they thought so highly of the operation that they assumed instinctively it must have been carried out by someone other than the Reagan administration. It was seemingly the work of three governments – Italian, Egyptian and American – acting in secret concert.

But by Sunday it was established fairly conclusively that President Mubarak has lied to Reagan and that Signor Craxi was wriggling furiously to find some respectable way of releasing Abbas. That ended the press's brief flirtation with the idea that international co-operation rather than unilateral US firmness had solved this particular crisis.

A logical step beckoned enticingly. If US action had solved this crisis successfully, that plainly indicated that this was a most unusual – even unique – crisis. It must surely be a crisis which provided no lessons for the future.

And, sure enough, over the next few days, the reasons why the US interceptions provided no future lessons were carefully laid out. It had required a minimum of international co-operation from Italy and Tunisia, which might not be forthcoming in future. It had not risked the lives of hostages who were free by the time of the interception. The hijackers, trapped in a plane rather than able to escape to land hideouts, were especially vulnerable. Because we had known the identity of the hijackers, the US could mount a precise operation to seize them. That was both legal and – since it did not harm innocent bystanders – moral, in a way that a retaliatory strike against a terrorist camp would not be.

Impressive though these arguments sound laid end to end, none of them stands much examination when looked at singly. First, it is actually harder to apprehend terrorists who are flying around the Mediterranean than to attack them in their camps. Secondly, attacks on terrorist camps require little or no international co-operation – *vide* Israel. Thirdly, the guilty men are not just those terrorists who plant the bombs and hijack ships and planes. They also include the people who plan the operations, train the actual hijackers, provide the guns and grenades, and maintain the entire infrastructure of terrorism which makes hijackings and bombings possible.

The exaggeratedly legalistic approach to terrorism – which the press was implicitly adopting with its stress on the known identity of the murderers of Leon Klinghoffer – is an absurd one. It amounts to arguing that an army could return fire only at those individual soldiers in opposing trenches who had actually been observed sniping. And it would rule out a bombing raid on the enemy's headquarters on the grounds that this was illegal and unjustified retaliatory action of an imprecise kind.

Finally, the rules of a just war dictate that, although care should be taken to avoid harming innocent civilians, their presence at a legitimate military target does not morally prohibit an attack upon it. If it did, terrorists would permanently surround themselves with innocent civilians. It is not unreasonable to ask, however, exactly what innocent bystanders are doing in a terrorist camp.

That leaves only the argument that this operation differs from other terrorist crises in that the lives of hostages were not at stake. It is a perfectly fair distinction. But it raises no new point of importance. And if it revives the familiar question of whether the lives of hostages should be the first priority in such crises, it doesn't settle it.

We are still left with the puzzle of why the liberal press is convinced that US actions to suppress terrorism are unthinkable – even when one occurs before their very eyes.

Philip Howard

When something simply snaps

I know this is going to cause trouble and that it reveals a shaming black hole in my sensibility. But I simply do not see the point of photographs.

It is not just that amateur photographers are bigger bores even than joggers and shoppers when you want to look at a place. It is not only that I resent the space in newspapers taken away from words and given to muddy pix of cuddly animals and royals, looking much the same as they did yesterday. I have difficulty in recognizing that photography is an art form at all. It seems to me to bear the same relation to life as frozen strawberries do to ones you have just picked. Ambrose Bierce, no doubt doing it to annoy, said that a photograph was a picture painted by the sun without instruction in art: "It is little better than the work of an Apache, but not quite so good as the Cheyenne." Give me a painting expressing intelligence, however primitive, even that of Grandma Moses, rather than the smartest photograph taken by the most chic society photographer.

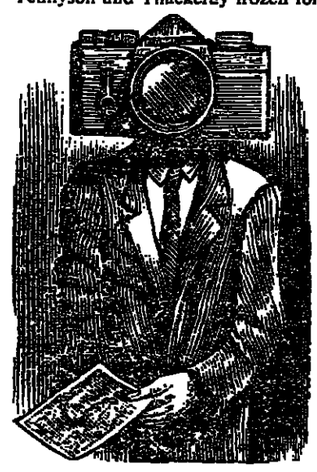
I was snapped by a very grand photographer once. There was nothing to it, as far as I could see. You just need lots of equipment, a couple of assistants, and enough money and time to shoot several hundred photographs so that at least one of them works. To judge from his recent biography, Cecil Beaton became a hero of our century by sucking up to the upper classes and touching up photographs in his studio to make fat old ladies look thinner and younger.

Prince Andrew has just published a book of his photographs. It is a far less harmful hobby than some indulged in by the Royal Family in the past. I have no doubt it will sell. But I have this blind spot. I simply do not see that a photograph of Katie Rabett standing up to her neck in a pond pretending to be the Lady of the Lake, or of the Duke of Edinburgh driving a coach and horses and looking cross, is fine art.

Some of my best friends are photographers. On a certain type of colour story photographer and hack working together complement each other, and are better than the sum of their parts. I remember once doing the Tour de France with our own Harry Kerr, zooming south as far as Royan to get ahead of the mad bicyclists, and producing better copy and pictures than we could have individually. But unless you are working with a true professional, never agree to do an interview or press conference with photographers present. They will take over, with their "Sir, sir, just one more please, sir." A really crude one will take over the interview itself, asking the questions and giving the answers. At the rough end of the trade *paparazzi* and celebrity hunters are a disgrace to journalism and the human race.

I know that a great news picture is said to be worth a thousand words. But great news pictures tend to be of violent and distasteful scenes into which we pry like voyeurs. That is why television is a medium of irrationality and emotion compared with radio and the written word.

Of course I am pleased to see Tennyson and Thackeray frozen for



Chris Wormell

all eternity in the National Portrait Gallery. I am moved to see Proust's Paris preserved after its death by Atget; Muybridge's pictures of locomotion were fun as well as scientifically important; Julia Margaret Cameron's Pre-Raphaelites are dreamy and romantic. But if you want a picture of a heroine drowning in the weeping brook, her clothes spread wide, you have only to compare Millais's *Ophelia* with Henry Peach Robinson's carefully posed photo of the Lady of Shalott to recognize that intelligence expressed in paint is less grotesque than the art of the machine. Hockney should stick to his paints and pencils and stop mucking about with cameras.

Why am I the only man in the world who feels like this about the art form of our century? The short answer may be that I am a philistine; which is abuse, not an answer. A more sensible anwer may be that photography is a demotic art. Everyman can be his own artist: and jolly bad he usually is at it. I suspect that it may have something to do with our passion for celebrity and our terror of moriality and insignificance. This makes national heroes of news readers, weather forecasters, and other blue-collar workers of television. This makes loonies jump up and down and wave at any television camera. This makes us want to be photographed smiling in front of the Taj Mahal. This means that the prudent man pushes his books to the front of the shelf so that there is no room for photo frames.

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DROPPING THE M3 PILOT

In the annals of monetary policy, Mr Nigel Lawson's formal abandonment of this year's target for Sterling M3, the longest standing of the Thatcher Government's monetary measures, calls to mind Bismarck descending from the Prussian ship of state.

The old pilot has been dropped. However outmoded, outmanoeuvred or outclassed by newer monetary aggregates, Sterling M3 was the original yardstick against which the success of the Government's medium-term financial strategy was to be measured. The act of abandoning it, at a moment when it gives an inconvenient reading, increases the onus on the Chancellor to demonstrate that policy remains fully under control.

In his speech to the "bankers and merchants of the City of London" on Thursday night, Mr Lawson confessed that he had set a target for Sterling M3 which hindsight showed to be too low. It has been set aside. Changes in behaviour, Mr Lawson argued, have meant that this measure of money has risen far faster than national income over the past five years. Sterling M3 is a broadish measure, including a variety of bank deposits; these have been swollen by high interest rates, which have increased our appetite for holding wealth in such a form.

Since it is far from clear how behaviour will change over the next five years of considerable upheaval in Britain's financial system, the Chancellor now argues that there may be no close link between the growth of Sterling M3 and the future rate of inflation. Although he will still monitor Sterling M3, and set new targets later, other indicators will take immediate precedence.

Mr Lawson, of course, insists that the change is formal, not fundamental: that he has been watching other monetary indicators for years. This is true. The Chancellor has become increasingly fond of the narrowest measure of money – M0 – which he argues is closest to the measure successfully targeted by the low-inflation Germans. He admits, however, that M0 has few friends in the City. The Governor of the Bank of England, in his speech at the Mansion House dinner, stressed a monetary measure that is wider still than Sterling M3, and thus less influenced by the ebb and flow of deposits between different kinds of financial institutions. Targets for broader and narrower money have featured in several annual Budget "Red Books" put out by the Chancellor. The exchange rate has thrust its way to the forefront of monetary policy, as the Government's mood towards sterling changed from indifference to anxiety and thence to active exchange-rate management.

Since the Thatcher Government first laid out its medium-term financial strategy in 1980, it has endeavoured to create the expectation that inflation must fall by publishing and adhering to a set of monetary targets for a number of years ahead. From his days as a junior Treasury minister to his apotheosis as Chancellor, Mr Lawson has been intimately connected with this quite novel attempt to create a credible straitjacket policy. The persistent attempt to target Sterling M3, for all its vagaries and excesses, served two purposes. First, it was a measure of money with a demonstrable connection with the level of public borrowing; thus the limits on money were quite plainly limits on cabinet spending ministers too. Secondly, it provided continuity: a demonstration of the Government's continuing resolve.

What we have now may be more subtle, more sophisticated, even more useful measures of the tightness or looseness of monetary policy; but we do not have the same evidence of a Government committed to the pursuit of a simple, published, single, medium-term objective against which its efforts can be measured by friend and foe alike. Mr Lawson asks us, instead, to accept a different measure of success or failure. The inflation rate, he says, is "judge and jury"..

That is to return to the days in which the proof of the pudding of government policy was purely in the eating; we are no longer allowed to measure success according to the precision with which the Government follows a published recipe. To be fair, we are only being asked for such an act of faith by a Government that has amply demonstrated its commitment to the reduction of inflation, and one which should have little difficulty in bringing inflation down further over the next year. Moreover, the alternative of pursuing the old recipe would patently lead us into a destructive monetary squeeze, if the Government sought to lower the growth of Sterling M3 by almost half in order to meet its present target.

Yet the costs of this change were made painfully clear by the Governor of the Bank of England, and by the Chancellor himself. Ignoring Sterling M3, they both suggested, would mean that all the other indicators had to be watched even more sharply. This implies that the price of uncertainty is higher interest rates than would otherwise be necessary. High interest rates are a heavy price to pay at a time when Britain's economic growth, though continuing, shows some signs of decelerating.

Nor is it clear that this policy of suspicion can be successfully applied. There are plenty of reasons why other monetary measures may give misleading or conflicting indications. This probably leaves too much weight on observations of the exchange rate, where the price of uncertainty may prove to be the highest.

TRIBAL VALUES

The Nyamwezi are an East African tribe. It would be odd if in an ex-imperial power such as Britain there were not some from among the body of scholars who interested themselves in the tribe's habits. It would be odder if, even in the nation's straitened circumstances, there were not some small portion of public funds set aside to support some social anthropological investigation – a pursuit adding little directly to the economic weal but potentially much to humankind's knowledge of itself in all its variation.

It would be strange, too, in a society that welcomed movement and change, if there were no funds to support study of social mobility, or electoral choice or the effects of taxation on the supply of labour. Such studies will not – compared with the great works of physics or astronomy – be expensive. They will, if they are any good, be controversial. And that is why the job of putting the scholars and the money together would be badly done by bureaucrats in the Department of Education or their ministers.

There is the case for a research council, for a group of wise and eminent and experienced men and women, enjoined to balance knowledge for its own sake with knowledge for the sake of bettering public policy. It is the argument for the existence of the Economic and Social Research Council, and is perhaps even stronger today than at the date exactly 20 years ago when its predecessor, the Social Science Research Council, was founded.

It is true, as the Council's critics have argued, that the SSRC was a creature of Wilsonian optimism and that social engineers and collectivists played too large a part in its formation, tainting its later life. It is true that this research council, unlike the bodies organizing research in medicine or the natural sciences, has been badly served by staff who were too often second-rate and appointed members who could claim neither scholarly eminence nor convincing experience of the real world. The SSRC has supported too much work of inferior quality, abetting rather than inhibiting lax standards in certain of the social disciplines.

Against that, however, there is a full credit ledger. The quality of modern British economics, monetarist, Keynesian, and purely technical owes much to SSRC. The nation's social investigators, much maligned, have produced, with the council's backing, work of premier quality in demography, the development of children, psephology and the determinants of educational success. Researchers are often unfairly blamed for the fact that the clear deductions from their work do not always make political sense.

Sir Keith Joseph was derided two years ago for changing the name of the SSRC. On this, as on other issues, the prima donnas of academe mistook the seriousness of Sir Keith's intent and the depth of his friendliness towards their endeavour. Social "science" was always a misnomer for a package of intellectual work which, at best, described and prescribed as much as it followed the methods of prediction and experiment commonly used in the physical sciences. "Social studies" is no ignoble title for what, with an attenuated budget, the Economic and Social Research Council is entrusted to pay for.

It is still the case that a backbench MP with a grudge can turn up items from the council's list of research supported and make philistine fun about irrelevance (when in fact the more searching questions about its spending have always concerned the quality of its postgraduate training and its failure to organize proper teamwork in social studies). But with the appointment of Sir Douglas Hague as its chairman, the ESRC has at least achieved some temporary insulation from political persecution.

Hague has read the runes; he is trying to steer some of the available research money towards contemporary problems of economic and technological adaptation. This is right: the universities and colleges of Britain have not yet begun to mount the intellectual effort needed to comprehend the nation's transformation. There is room within existing budgets for more applied and "policy relevant" work. But this reorientation has its limits. During its next 20 years, the ESRC must preserve some space in its budgets and in its training of future scholars for the Nyamwezi and their sociological equivalents.

PROXIMITY BUT NO PEACE

As UN "proximity talks" between Pakistan and the Afghan regime continue at Geneva there seems no hope of a way out of the impasse. The appointed mediator, Diego Cordovez, makes optimistic noises in vain. Broad agreement may exist between the respective parties on the subjects of eventual Afghan non-alignment and the return of refugees with "safety and honour", but as ever, there is intransigence on the all important matter of Soviet troop withdrawal.

Cordovez is said to be expecting a renewed expression of confidence in the diplomatic process from the forthcoming November summit. Such optimism flies in the face of recent developments which reveal the manifest contempt of the Soviet forces for the majority of the Afghan people. The stepping up of hostilities from the end of September in the Paghman area and also in the Lobar region south of Kabul have precipitated a flood of casualties at the hospital of the Red Cross in Peshawar. They were the lucky ones; it is estimated that three out of every four seriously injured Afghans die before they even sight the border. The road to safety is frequently hazardous due to the planting of plastic "butterfly" mines, specially camouflaged to blend in with the terrain and to remove the limbs of unsuspecting victims. Such are the consequences of the Soviet soldier's implementation of his "internationalist duty".

Yet in no way, almost six years on, can the mujahideen be said to be on the point of capitulation. Information from the Afghanistan Support Committee in London points to greater co-ordination and organization amongst the various commanders.

So where does this leave the resistance? In November, the vast majority of states at the UN General Assembly will, doubtless, approve another resolution recommending the complete withdrawal of all foreign troops. Of more interest to the rebels will be recent reports from Washington of a marked strengthening of the Reagan administration's commitment to the resistance. As the Western response since 1979 has been so frequently uncoordinated and lacking in resolve, such a move is welcomed.

To be repeatedly feeble in our attempts to support the Afghans would signal a willingness to be indifferent to the plight of millions and would prove to Moscow that the West will accept any transgression of the principles of international order in exchange for a quiet life. As Mr Gorbachov prepares to meet President Reagan in November, he would do well to call to mind Litvinov's aphorism that "peace is indivisible." If détente's demise was sealed by the Soviet Army in 1979, his alleged wish for a relaxation of tensions ought to lead him to the conclusion that Afghanistan is not a pretty shop window for the Soviet Union to show its face to the world. The sooner it leaves the premises, the better for all concerned.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Legitimate interest of voluntary bodies

From the Chairman of the NCVO

Sir, I write to draw attention to a further threat by Government to the ordinary citizen's dwindling defences against the arbitrary exercise of the powers of Britain's "elective dictatorship".

Voluntary organizations, many of them charities, are a vital expression of private energy and benevolence in a free and pluralistic society. Yet, in the Department of the Environment's first and later submissions to the Widdicombe inquiry there lurks a sinister attempt to diminish their contribution to public debate.

Specifically, a dubious distinction between "information" and "persuasion" is proposed; and local authorities are, it is suggested, to be warned against funding organizations which "while not openly identified with a particular political viewpoint, appear to be divisive". "Appear" to whom and "divisive" of what, one may ask.

All advocacy, which is a duty as well as a right of many voluntary organizations and charities, flowing from their experience and their constitutional commitments to the beneficiaries of their work, divides those who agree from those who disagree.

On June 8, 1983, I wrote to you suggesting the need for an objective criterion of "political" activity in this context and proposed that it should and must mean an intention, overt or not, to influence the electoral process for or against some person or party. For that, in a democracy, is how power is gained; and the gaining of power is the proper business of politics as such, as distinct from government, which is from time to time the proper business of all citizens, including the great majority who have not the slightest interest in politics.

It simply will not do, therefore, in a free society for the politicians to arrogate to themselves the right to define as "political" anything in which any two politicians happen to interest themselves – often very briefly – and to disagree about. Still less will it do for them then to try to prevent voluntary bodies, who may have been concerned with the issue in question for years, from contributing information and judgements to public debate.

Legitimate voluntary organisations have no wish to engage in politics, properly defined, and will be happy to see a prohibition against their doing so as indeed already applies to those of them who are charities. But when it comes to advocacy on matters of public importance, including the policies and programmes of government and specific legislation, which fall within the experience and responsibilities of voluntary bodies, they must be free to speak.

The best protection against abuse is suggested in NCVO's own evidence to the Widdicombe inquiry, namely that all local authorities should be required to publish a statement of all grants above £1,000, with details of the purpose for which the grant is made, so that the public and the local electorate can judge for themselves of the wisdom or otherwise of the councillors.

Yours etc,
PETER JAY, Chairman,
National Council for Voluntary Organisations,
26 Bedford Square, WC1.

After the riots

From Mrs Natalie Cutler

Sir, As a Jew, I think I know a little about racial discrimination, but my people have never seen fit to riot. When my great-grandfather was shot by the Bolsheviks because he was saying his prayers, his wife did not accuse the police of heavy-handedness; she buried him and carried on caring for her children.

When my grandfather was driven out of Poland by the pogroms, he was grateful for a chance in this country and both he and his wife sewed trousers to feed their children. No State benefits.

My father worked 14 hours a day to educate my brother, sister and myself; half-day was Sunday, when he worked until 3pm.

There is plenty to do. If you have no work, help others. There will always be discrimination and you cannot legislate against it. Black people must prove themselves responsible, capable and fit to belong to this marvellous country. Instead of waiting for everybody else to help them, why don't they stop whining and help themselves?

Yours faithfully,
NATALIE CUTLER,
48 Pembroke Road, Kensington, W8.

From Mrs B. J. de Margary

Sir, I was interested, when visiting a private junior school in the Brixton catchment area, to find that a significant proportion (in some cases almost half) of the pupils were black and of Afro-Caribbean origin.

That parents of such children are prepared to pay some £250 per term for a private education with the emphasis on the three Rs surely reflects badly on the adequacy of local schools in this respect.

It also goes to show that blacks of Afro-Caribbean origin are as concerned as parents in other ethnic groups to ensure that their children get a decent education (in the traditional rather than the ILEA sense); a point which seems to have been missed by many commentators on the recent inner-city riots.

Yours faithfully,
B. J. de MARGARY,
33 North Side,
Clapham Common, SW4.

Wealth and welfare

From the Director General of the CBI

Sir, I am writing to emphasise how much the CBI agrees with the recommendation in your editorial of October 9 that greater personal stakes in industry should be encouraged.

In our response to the Green Paper on social security we suggested an alternative approach that would help to achieve this. The Green Paper route worried employers greatly, not least because of the additional costs that would be piled on companies and because of fears of inadequate pensions in the future.

Our approach would avoid these threats but involved not only modifying Serps (State earnings-related pensions scheme) to contain future costs but also, and very importantly, relaxing current Inland Revenue rules to allow greater personal pension provision – with tax relief, but at individuals' own choice and expense.

As we stated in our response to the Green Paper, as this individual provision would be in addition to an already basically adequate and assured provision (through modified Serps or occupational pension schemes) it might not require such a high premium on security. In consequence, the individual investment portfolios that would be encouraged under our proposals would be more likely to involve direct perceived personal stakes in industry than the minimum personal contributions proposed in the Green Paper.

This was one of the reasons why we believe that our approach is a better way to achieve the objectives that we share with the Government.

Yours faithfully,
T BECKETT, Director General,
Confederation of British Industry,
Centre Point,
103 New Oxford Street, WC1.

UK and Unesco

From Lord Harris of High Cross and others

Sir, We write to express disquiet with the tactics of Britain over Unesco. That organisation is thoroughly politicised, chaotic on spending and hostile to the West. It costs the taxpayer £5 million a year.

Last year Britain appeared to recognise these deformities by supporting the United States, which courageously gave its withdrawal notice. The crisp British response has since then gradually been compromised by British officials. As Rosemary Righter points out in her article, "Unesco: has the last chance been lost?" (October 4) our disgraceful backsliding has baffled both allies and opponents and thereby played into the hands of Mr M'Bow.

The Commons foreign affairs committee have, alas, been hoodwinked by British officials into believing that effective steps have been taken against Unesco corruption. Recent evidence confirms that there is no possibility of modifying the gross irregularities of Unesco under its present management and constitution.

It is therefore essential that we reaffirm our notice to withdraw. Such a lead will have a considerable impact on our allies within Unesco.

Yours faithfully,
RALPH HARRIS,
IAN ORR-EWING,
ALFRED SHERMAN,
T. E. UTLEY,
MICHAEL IVENS,
40 Doughty Street, WC1.
October 15.

Heart of the matter

From Professor Hugh Tunstall-Pedoe

Sir, James Le Fanu may, as you state, have been sifting the evidence in his middle-page article of October 1, but what he has come up with is a load of dross, including several selective quotations which are grossly unfair to the persons or institutions that he names.

Of course there is a debate about this subject, as there is in all areas of medical intervention and public health, but there is also a very wide measure of agreement, especially on the need for a reduction in saturated fat consumption, recommended almost unanimously by the DHSS Committee on Medical Aspects of Food Policy.

Current dietary recommendations will increase the variety of nutrients in the diet, not diminish them. Anyone over 40 will know that there have been enormous changes in our diet over the years resulting from changes in farming and marketing. What is being recommended on health rather than commercial grounds is a trend (away from high-fat dairy products towards lower calorie intake, low-fat products and more vegetables, poultry, fish and fruit) which has a very large measure of popular appeal.

To describe the coronary epidemic in which components of the United Kingdom are experiencing some of the highest rates in the world as a "paper epidemic" is nothing short of mischievous. One man in 10 in this country dies before retiring age from this single disease.

Coronary prevention campaigns do not find favour with those established commercial interests which foster the life styles under attack. Friends of the tobacco industry and the more inflexible elements of the food industry will still be found saying there is no real evidence and quoting odd dissenting voices, long after the bulk of medical opinion has agreed that the weight of evidence on coronary disease causation and prevention is good enough for action.

Yours faithfully,
HUGH TUNSTALL-PEDOE,
University of Dundee,
Cardiovascular Epidemiology Unit,
Ninewells Hospital and Medical School, Dundee.
October 6.

Plea for peace in the Middle East

From the Bishop in Cyprus and the Gulf

Sir, No one who works or travels in the Gulf states can fail to be aware that it is not only the neighbouring states which are concerned about the presence and the actions of Israel.

Among all the pressures in the Gulf states Israel, and the position of the Palestinians, has great significance.

After the last war many of us entered, in a small way, into the pain of the Jews. Now is the time for us to begin to enter into the pain of the Palestinians.

We need to listen to them and to try to stand where they have stood in order to be able to understand their experience, out of which come their hopes and fears, their actions and their aspirations.

The disappointment many of us felt at the mishandling of the recent visit of two Palestinian leaders should not be allowed to prevent or even delay HM Government from pioneering in the field of trying to hear what the Palestinians feel and say.

But it is not only governments who have responsibilities in this matter; all who work or travel in the Middle East should seize every opportunity to allow the experience and the perceptions of our hosts to break into our consciousness.

In this way we may, by the grace of God, be able to make a small contribution to reconciliation in this suffering region.

Yours faithfully,
HARRY MOORE,
PO Box 2075,
Nicosia,
Cyprus.
October 17.

From the Executive Director of the Council of Christians & Jews

Sir, The prolonged and tragic sufferings of the Palestinian people should be of deep concern to Christians, who will surely be praying especially for peace in the Middle East during the coming Week of Prayer for World Peace, which starts on October 20.

It is also, however, a matter of deep concern if Christians appear to give credence to the Palestinian Liberation Organisation and thereby to condone the use of violence and terrorism.

Past aggression by Arab states and internecine strife have done much to cause the agony of the Palestinians. Christians forfeit any role they may play as mediators if they are perceived to be one-sided. Jews, who have suffered so much at Christian hands, have reason to expect more sympathetic understanding than is often shown by the Church.

Yours obediently,
MARCUS BRAYBROOKE,
Executive Director,
The Council of Christians and Jews,
1 Dennington Park Road, NW6

What Diplock did

From Mr Chapman Pincher

Sir, The obituary on Lord Diplock (October 16) stated that "in 1982, after a year-long investigation, he ruled that there was no substance in allegations that the former head of MI5, Sir Roger Hollis, had been a spy for the Soviet Union".

Lord Diplock did no such thing. As Chairman of the Security Commission, which carried out a nine-months inquiry, following the publication of my book, *Their Trade is Treachery*, in March, 1981, he was limited by the terms of reference imposed by the Prime Minister and these specifically precluded any investigation of the Hollis case or of any other cases exposed in the book.

Because of the doubts raised by these cases the commission was required only to examine the current procedures for preventing penetration of the secret services and the small fraction of its report, issued at the height of the Falklands War, recommended many improvements.

The mis-statement is, presumably, a confusion with the one-man investigation of the Hollis case carried out by Lord Trend in 1974. Since then so much new information about the case has accrued that several MPs have urged the Prime Minister to set up an independent inquiry, but so far without result.

Yours faithfully,
CHAPMAN PINCHER,
Church House,
16 Church Street,
Kintbury,
Newbury,
Berkshire.
October 16.

Policy on Ulster

From Mr John W. Deeley

Sir, Mr John D. Taylor (October 7) says that if the Government is proposing, as part of a Dublin-London agreement, to involve the republic in the affairs of Northern Ireland, then it is duty-bound to seek the consent of the people of Northern Ireland as it otherwise risks "an unpleasant confrontation" with one million Ulstermen.

Well, this unpleasant confrontation has already occupied most of the twentieth century, so does Mr Taylor now offer an even greater threat, or is he merely giving a polite indication of refusal of such consent if it were sought? (One cannot help remembering his very recent remarks concerning the damage that a few bombs could cause to the republic's economy.)

He displays strong concern about the rights of the "British majority" in Northern Ireland yet displays no semblance of recognition of the rights of the respective majorities of the whole of the United Kingdom and of the whole island of Ireland – which is surely what the Anglo-Irish summit attempts to represent in its well-intentioned approach towards improving the totality of relationships of these neighbouring islands, so inextricably bound up within each other's history.

If Ulster Unionists again "do a Sunningdale" – or worse, sabotage by force an Anglo-Irish settlement – then it can only be a matter of time until the United Kingdom majority decide by referendum that they have had enough of an impossible problem and the result could be a much smaller "independent" Northern Ireland, with redrawn territorial boundaries to accommodate, within an expanded republic, a significant proportion of the present Catholic population who would otherwise have only a repeat of past Unionist misrule to look forward to.

Yours sincerely,
JOHN W. DEELEY,
16 Downs Road,
Dunstable, Bedfordshire.
October 8.

Good shepherd

From the Reverend D. G. Richards

Sir, The Reverend Anthony Durrans (October 16) should know his place, for I have sole charge of The Holy Trinity.

Yours faithfully,
DEREK RICHARDS,
The Rectory, Llandudno, Gwynedd.
October 16.

ON THIS DAY

OCTOBER 19 1899

The writer of the first letter was showing remarkable prescience concerning the wars of the future, at the same time as his brother was engaged in traditional forms of combat at Mafeking. Letters to the Editor in the 19th and early 20th centuries were spread haphazardly throughout the paper, but inevitably somewhere would be the short/sharp/witty one; the second letter below is one such.

AN AERIAL STEAMSHIP.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES.

Sir,-Having lately had the opportunity of inspecting the vast contrivance now being "made in Germany" which is expected shortly to plough its way through the realms of the air even as the Atlantic liner glides over the waters, I may perhaps be allowed once more to call attention to the great importance of the advent of such an innovation.

Through the kindness of General Count Zeppelin, I was allowed to visit the "dockyard" wherein this wonderful ship is being constructed, and was immensely impressed on entering the great wooden building erected on a floating raft to see what appeared to be the slender skeleton of some huge vessel, as big as one of our most powerful battleships, but of such delicate material as rather to suggest a stupendous birdcage. This, made entirely of aluminium, is the framework on which the outer skin is to be stretched. Inside a number of large balloons will be placed. Underneath are the gallery and the cars, all of aluminium, and here are the engines with which to drive the vessel. It is hoped, at the rate of 22 miles an hour through the air. The total lifting capacity will be about 10 tons, which should enable the vessel to carry sufficient stores and ballast to remain in the air for some days. All this may sound like some dream, but it is stern reality. It is said that altogether something like £70,000 has been spent upon it, and a commission including many of the leading scientific experts in Germany have approved the plans.

In a few weeks' time all should be ready for a start, and though accidents and delays may, of course, happen in connexion with such a novel undertaking, much is expected from this event, since such an amount of money and skill has never before been expended on such an enterprise, and all the calculations have been so accurately made, every contingency so carefully considered, each possibility of failure so cautiously guarded against, that we can but hope that success will follow.

A buoyant balloon such as this, it may be pointed out, has the great advantage over a purely mechanical flying machine (such as that of Maxim or Langley) of being able to rise with certainty off the ground, and of preserving its balance when suspended in mid-air. We have just recently had an unfortunate instance of the extreme difficulty of preserving this balance even in a small flying machine (I myself having been a witness of this most regrettable event)....

And what then? Notwithstanding what peace conferences may decide, wars in the future will without doubt be decided in the air. The plateaus of the Pamirs, the defiles of the North-West Frontier, the swamps of the Upper Nile – even Mafeking and the tablelands of the Transvaal – will become as accessible as New York. The exploration of the North and South Poles – but I will not further speculate. Those wishing for visions of the future can refer to Jules Verne. Those that desire technical details of this latest scheme to utilize the highway of the air may find them in the *Aeronautical Journal* for this month. I will here only direct attention to what we may call the political aspect of the question, in the hope that we in England may not be long in following in the lead of our energetic cousins in making a bold and unsparing attempt to conquer this element, which has hitherto baffled our ingenuity.

Yours faithfully,
B. BADEN-POWELL, Major,
Guards' Club, S.W., Oct. 17.

BOER IGNORANCE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES.

Sir,-I have read the two letters of your Boer correspondent "P.S."

With regard to his observations upon the British Army at least will you allow me to answer him, and I will do so in the words of a fable of Perrin's:-

"An ass had the impertinence to follow a lion and to bray after him in order to insult him. The lion was at first irritated, but, turning his head, he saw from whence the insult came: he continued tranquilly on his way without paying the least attention to the donkey."

I shall not offer a remark upon anything further your correspondent "P.S." may utter towards the Army.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,
A FITZROY HART, Major-General,
Commanding the 5th Brigade South Africa Field Force.
Aldershot, Oct. 17.

COURT AND SOCIAL

COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
October 18: By command of The Queen, the Lord Skelmersdale (Lord in Waiting) was present at Heathrow Airport-London this morning upon the departure of The King of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan and bade farewell to His Majesty on behalf of Her Majesty.

The Duke of Edinburgh was represented by Brigadier Clive Robertson at the Memorial Service for Mr Denis Tizard which was held at St Margaret's, Westminster today.

KENSINGTON PALACE
October 18: The Princess of Wales, Colonel-in-Chief, The Royal Hampshire Regiment, this morning left Royal Air Force Northolt in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight for Berlin to visit the 1st Battalion.

Miss Anne Beckwith-Smith, Major Jack Stenhouse and Mr Victor Chapman are in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE
October 18: The Duke of Gloucester this afternoon opened the Kensington Housing Trust's sheltered housing scheme, Evelyn Fox Court, at Kingsbrige Road, London W10.

Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Simon Bland was in attendance.

The Duchess of Gloucester, Colonel-in-Chief, Royal Army Educational Corps, this evening dined with her Corps at Eltham Palace, London SE9.

Mrs Euan McCorquodale was in attendance.

A memorial service for Baroness Hornsby-Smith will be held at St Margaret's, Westminster, on Tuesday, October 29, 1985, at noon.

A memorial service for Mr Philip Sykes, will be held in Lincoln's Inn Chapel on Thursday, November 14, 1985, at 5pm.

The Apostolic Nunciature announces that a Mass will be celebrated in Westminster Cathedral tomorrow at 10.30 to mark the seventh anniversary of the election of Pope John Paul II.

Birthdays

TODAY: Mr Justice Boreham, 66; Professor Sir Robert Boyd, 63; Mr John Graham, 58; Mr Bernard Hepton, 60; Professor Sir Robert Jennings, 72; Mr John Le Carré, 54; Admiral of the Fleet Sir Michael Pollock, 69; Air Chief Marshal Sir Neville Stack, 66; Sir Kenneth Stoby, 82; Sir Patrick Wall, MP, 69; Mr Peter Whiston, 73.

TOMORROW: Mr Hume Boggis-Rolfe, 74; Sir Edwin Boland, 63; Major-General T. Brodie, 82; Mr Raymond Buckton, 63; Mr Alfredo Campoli, 79; the Right Rev Dr H. J. Carpenter, 84; Mr Lawrence Daly, 61; Professor Sir Douglas Hague, 59; Mr Eddie Macken, 36; Mr Sylvester Mittee, 29; Lord Montagu of Beaulieu, 59; Dame Anna Neagle, 81; Sir Roger Ormrod, 74; Professor S. B Saul, 61; Sir William Shapland, 73; Sir Alexander Stirling, 59; Sir Ian Trethowan, 63; Mr Timothy West, 51.



The new Bishop of Wakefield, the Rev Dr David Hope, who was consecrated yesterday in a service at York Minster.

Latest wills

Major Eustace Frederick Robb, of The Great Tew Estate, Great Tew, Oxfordshire, the first producer and director of BBC television programmes when the BBC started transmissions on the Baird mechanical system of 30 lines in 1932, and, after the 1939-45 war, owner and Lord of the Manor of the extensive Boulton estates at Tew Park (given to him on condition he took up residence, the Public Trustee having had responsibility since 1914), left estate valued at £4,700,070 net.

Requiem Mass

Major G. J. Graham-Green

A thanksgiving requiem Mass for Major Graham John Graham-Green was concelebrated at the Church of St Anselm and St Cecilia, Kingsway, on Friday by the Right Rev Philip Harvey, representing the Cardinal Archbishop of Westminster, Mgr Joseph Callanan, representing the Archbishop of Southwark, Canon Maurice O'Leary, Mgr Anthony Reynolds, Father Hugh McAleese, Father Philip Mathias, Father Michael O'Brien, SJ, Father James Smale and Father Bary Wymes. Flight Lieutenant Veronica Graham-Green, WRAuxAF, daughter, read the lesson and Mr Christopher Herdon read the bidding prayers. Chief Master Horne, Chief Taxing Master of the Supreme Court, gave an address.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr R. M. K. Booker and Miss T. S. Keys

The engagement is announced between Michael, only son of Mr and Mrs R. K. Booker, of Singapore, and Tracey, only daughter of Mr And Mrs D. Keys, of Guernsey.

Dr S. M. Breathnach and Dr A. A. L. Kirkland

The engagement is announced between Stephen, elder son of Professor and Mrs Aodan Breathnach, of Esher, Surrey, and Alison, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Ian Kirkland, of Edinburgh.

Mr A. T. Dykstra and Miss F. L. Sanders

The engagement is announced between Anthony Theo, only son of the late Mr and Mrs Dykstra, and Felicia Louise, only daughter of the late Major R. D. N. Sanders RA, and Mrs I. L. de W. Sanders, of The Old School House, Ryton, near Shifnal, Shropshire.

Mr J. A. Hammond and Miss R. N. Martin

The engagement is announced between John, son of the late Lawrence Hammond and of Mrs Ruth Hammond, of Toronto, Canada, and Rebecca, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Philip Martin, of Wychwood, Wychwood Lane, Headington, Oxford.

Mr S. J. Killeen and Dr D. M. Fathers

The engagement is announced between Simon John, only son of Mr and Mrs Bernard James Killeen, of Bolton, Greater Manchester, and Deborah Meriel, only daughter of Canon and Mrs Derek Fathers, of Thornton Hough, the Wirral, Merseyside.

Mr J. J. M. Letts and Miss S. J. McCloy

The engagement is announced between James, younger son of Mr and Mrs C. T. Letts, of Bearwood, Holtye, Sussex, and Susan, elder daughter of Dr J. W. McCloy, of Berwick Road, Shrewsbury, and Mrs M. McCloy, of Cound, Shropshire.

Mr R. A. Douglas-Pennant and Mrs O. J. Herbert

The engagement is announced and the marriage will take place quietly early in the New Year between Rodney Douglas-Pennant and Olivia Herbert, both of Aston Tirrold, Oxfordshire.

Mr M. S. Newland and Miss S. C. Wells

The engagement is announced between Maurice, son of Mr and Mrs Ronald W. Newland, of Hayes, Middlesex, and Suzanne, daughter of Mr and Mrs Edward H. Wells, of Kiganjo, Kenya, and Brightwell-cum-Sotwell, Oxfordshire.

Mr S. A. Sillars and Miss B. L. M. Smith

The engagement is announced between Stuart, only son of Mr & Mrs Austen Sillars, of Tunstall, Sittingbourne, Kent, and Belinda, only daughter of Mr & Mrs Arthur Smith, of Thorndon, Eye, Suffolk.

Mr J. N. Sparks and Miss S. J. Barker

The engagement is announced between James Nicholas, younger son of Mr and Mrs S. T. Sparks, of Downend, Bristol, and Sarah Jane, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs G. E. A. Barker, of Orchard Cottage, Garston, Hertfordshire.

Mr N. G. Walker and Dr J. Magill

The engagement is announced between Nicholas, elder son of Mr and Mrs V. Gordon Walker, of Binstead, Isle of Wight, and Jane, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Reginald Shaw, of Long Whatton, Leicestershire.

Mr D. J. Williams and Miss C. E. Kennedy

The engagement is announced between David, elder son of Mr and Mrs J. F. Williams, of West Kirby, The Wirral, and Caroline, only daughter of Mr and Mrs P. S. Kennedy, of Heswall, The Wirral.

Marriages

Mr N. R. Offord and Miss J. C. C. Wilkinson

The marriage took place on October 12 between Mr Nigel Offord and Miss Julia Wilkinson. A service of blessing was held afterwards at St Margaret's Church, Westminster. Canon Trevor Beeson officiated.

Rabbi Dan Cohn-Sherbok

Raising the concept of resurrection

While controversy rages within the Anglican Church about Bishop Jenkins's views of the resurrection, it is ironic that recently an Orthodox Jewish rabbi proclaimed his belief that Jesus rose from the dead. According to Professor Pinchas Lapide, Jesus's bodily resurrection really happened. In his new book, *The Resurrection of Jesus: A Jewish Perspective*, (SPCK £4.95) he declares: "I am completely convinced that the Twelve from Galilee, who were all farmers, shepherds, and fishermen – there was not a single theology professor to be found among them – were totally unimpressed by scholarly theologoumena, as Karl Rahner or Rudolf Bultmann write them. If they, through such a concrete historical event as the crucifixion, were so totally in despair and crushed, as all the four evangelists report to us, then no less concrete a historical event was needed to bring them out of the deep valley of their despair." For Lapide, Jesus's resurrection was a divinely ordained occurrence through which God was able to carry out His plan of salvation.

This does not mean, however, that Lapide is prepared to accept Jesus as Messiah. On the contrary, he is careful to point out that in Judaism the doctrine of the resurrectiion was not tied to Messiahship. In the Bible for example, Elijah revived the dead son of a devout widow (1 Kings 17:17-24), and Elisha resuscitated the dead child of a woman living in Shunem (2 Kings 4:18-21, 32-37). In rabbinic literature, various scholars such as Rabba, Rabbi Shimon Bar Yohai, Rabbi Hanina Bar Hama, Rabbi Israel Baal Shem Tov and Rabbi Schmelke of Nikolsburg were also depicted as able to revive the dead. Thus, there are ample precedents in Jewish literature for accepting resurrection as a tenable belief without associating the event with Messianic fulfilment.

According to Lapide, the resurrection of Jesus was a means by which God made himself know to all the nations of the world. The advent of Christendom, he argues, was a stage in the unfolding of God's plan to bring about the conversion of the world to the one true God. All human beings, he believes, are "anonymous monotheists", longing for the message which first dawned in Jewish consciousness and which the Christian mission is spreading to the four corners of the earth. Judaism and Christianity are, therefore, two different paths that lead to the Father. The resurrection of Jesus is a means by which knowledge of God can be spread to the gentiles; in this context the Church functions as an institution of salvation alongside Israel. Thus, Lapide concludes, "the cause of Jesus is basically the cause of Israel ... the doctrine and suffering, the faith-experience of God, the survival after martyrdom, and the eternal life for which we hope."

Such an affirmation of belief in this central tenet of Christianity would no doubt be extremely difficult for most Jews to accept. In the face of scientific knowledge, the conviction that the dead can undergo miraculous resuscitation has lost its hold on the Jewish imagination – within all branches of Judaism the concept of the immortality of the soul has largely replaced the traditional doctrine of physical resurrection. Hence there would be little sympathy for the view that Jesus, or anyone else for that matter, was raised from the dead. Yet, despite such a lack of Jewish support for Lapide's thesis, there is nevertheless room for a sympathetic modern Jewish appraisal of this fundamental tenet of the Christian faith.

In place of the traditional understanding of Jesus's resurrection as an event of history, a number of prominent Christian scholars have offered a non-literal interpretation of Jesus' post-crucifixion appearances. For those scholars, the Easter event happened both in and to the disciples. Faith in the risen Jesus was not simply caused by an objective event taking place in front of them. The Easter experience was not an incursion from above; it was not an encounter with a physical person. Rather, Jesus was revealed to the first Christians. According to those writers, the belief in the resurrection originated from a deeply personal faith experience which can be described as a process of conversion. Like any authentic faith experience, it was brought about by the objective reality of God's power. But this divine communication was mediated through psychological realities and human experience.

Such a conversion experience is conceived by those writers in different ways: Edward Shillerbeeck suggests that the resurrection could well have been an experience of forgiveness; Dermot Lane describes the first encounters with Jesus as an experience of fellowship, reconciliation, and divine solidarity; Hans Kung contends that the resurrection experience was a vocation to shape one's life out of the effective power of Jesus; James Mackey understands the experience of the risen Jesus to be an experience of Jesus's spirit.

Despite this range of interpretations, it is clear from these descriptions that the encounter with Jesus was not essentially different from what Christians can experience today. The first meetings with Jesus were not miraculous intrusions from above, but encounters with the presence of Jesus. In the words of Karl Rahner: "So far as the nature of this experience is accessible to us, it is to be explained after the manner of our experience of the powerful Spirit of the living Lord rather than in a way which either likens this experience too closely to mystical vision of an imaginative kind in later times, or understands it as an almost physical sense experience."

According to such an interpretation of the resurrection, the accounts of the appearances of Jesus after the crucifixion should not be understood as photographic statements of what took place. For those scholars this does not dilute the New Testament witness, but accepts it for what it is: a richly, mythical account which is offered as an illustration of Jesus's real presence. This modern interpretation of the Easter event should not prove inaccesible for Jews. Today the Jewish community is becoming increasingly aware of the spiritual treasures of other religions, and there is a growing acknowledgement that God has revealed Himself in various ways to all peoples. If the resurrection is conceived as a manifestation of God's presence in the life of the early Christians (rather than as a physical occurence involving a revivified body), Jews should be able to respond sympathetically.

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● The article "Reflections on earth; beauty" in *The Times* of September 9 also appeared in a spring edition of the journal *New Fire*, of the Society of Saint John the Evangelist.

Reception

The Earl of Radnor and Lord Renwick

The Earl of Radnor and Lord Renwick held a reception, as part of National Dyslexia Week, to mark the formation of the Dyslexia Educational Trust at the House of Lords on October 15. Among those present were:
The Ambassador of South Africa and Dr Worrall, the Earl of Lindsay and Abingdon, Viscount and Viscountess Boyd of Merton, Earl Attlee, Baroness Vickers, Baroness Faithfull, Lady Hylton, Lord Ritchie of Dundee, Lord Henderson of Brompton, Lord Campbell of Croy, The Hon Charles Morrison, MP, Mr Jack Ashley, CH, MP, and Mrs Ashley, Mr N Baker, MP, Mr J Watts, MP, Sir Eric Faulkner, Mr Nicholas Faulkner, Sir David Hancock, Lady Harris, Sir Jack and Lady Lyons, Miss Susan Hampshire, Mr and Mrs Ernest Saunders, The Chairman and Council Members of the British Dyslexia Association, The Dyslexia Foundation, the Hornsby Centre, the Helen Arkell Dyslexia Centre, the Watford Dyslexia Unit, the University College of North Wales and many other friends and supporters.

Dinners

Scriveners' Company

Mr J. P. B. Brooke-Little, Master of the Scriveners' Company, presided at the annual ladies dinner held last night at Innholders' Hall. The other speakers were Mr R. G. Swan, Renter Warden, the Master of the Innholders' Company and Miss Iris Murdoch.

Society of Merchant Venturers of Bristol

Mr D. C. Tudway Quilter, Master of the Society of Merchant Venturers of Bristol, presided at the annual dinner held last night at Merchants' Hall, Clifton, Bristol. The guests included the Bishop of Bristol, the Lord Mayor of Bristol, and Sir James Miskin, Recorder of London, who replied to the toast proposed by the Senior Warden, Sir John Wills.

Royal Tennis Court

The annual dinner of the Royal Tennis Court was held last night at Hampton Court Palace. Lord and Lady Maclean were the guests of honour. Mr Ronald Swash was in the chair.

Faculty of Architects and Surveyors

Sir Gerard Vaughan, MP, Honorary Fellow of the Faculty of Architects and Surveyors, entertained members and their guests at dinner in the House of Commons last night. The president, Mr Tom E. Morris, was in the chair. Among those present were the Deputy Lord Mayor of Westminster, Mr Hubert Chesshyre and the President of the Construction Surveyors Institute.

International Law Association

Lord Wilberforce, Chairman of the Executive Council of the International Law Association, presided at a dinner held at the Athenaeum yesterday. Professor C. J. Olmstead, vice-chairman, was among those present.

Society of Engineers

The annual dinner of the Society of Engineers was held last night at 55 Broadway. The president, Mr David Richards, and Mrs Richards, received the guests. The president presented the Gairn EEC Medal to Professor Bernard Atkinson. Director of the Brewing Research Foundation, and Dr Keith Bright also spoke.

Old Loughburians

Lord Elton was the guest of honour at the annual dinner of the Old Loughburians' Association held at Plaisterers' Hall last night. Mr D N Ireland, Headmaster of Loughborough Grammar School, Mr H Humber, Mr K E Ward and Mr P E Jordan also spoke.

Service receptions

Ordnance Board

Officers of the Ordnance Board held a reception last night at Stationers' Hall. The president, Air Vice-Marshal N. A. Perrin, and Mrs Perrin, received the guests.

RAF Quedgeley

Sir Anthony Kershaw, MP, and Mrs Sally Oppenheim-Barnes, MP, were among those present at the annual civic reception held last night at RAF Quedgeley. Group Captain D. C. Collins, station commander, Wing Commander J. L. Mace, president of the mess committee, and their ladies, received and guests.

Service dinners

HMS Mercury

The annual dinner of officers of the Navigating and Direction Branch of the Royal Navy was held at HMS MERCURY last night, by permission of the Executive Officer, Commander P. G. EDGER. Admiral Sir Simon CASSELS presided and Mr W. M. HOWARD, QC, Judge Advocate of the Fleet, was the guest of honour.

Naval Historians

Admiral Sir Guy Grantham was the guest of naval historians at a dinner on board HMS Victory at Portsmouth last night. Lieutenant-Commander Charles Addis, Commanding Officer, also attended. Lieutenant-Commander Peter Whitlock was in the chair.

Among others present were:
Admiral Sir Horace Law, Vice-Admiral Sir Ian McGeoch, Captain John Coote, Mr Richard Hough, Lieutenant Commander Peter Kemp, Dr Roger Knight, Dr Alan McGowan, Mr Richard Ollard, Captain Ray Parsons, Mr Alan Pearsall, Mr Tom Pocock, Dr Nicholas Rodger, Mr George Malcolm Thomson, Mr Warren Tute and Mr Dan van der Vat.

Vulcan Naval Reactor Test Establishment

The Lord Lieutenant of Caithness and Viscountess Thurso, the Director General Surface Ships, Rear-Admiral H. L. O. Thompson, and Mrs Thompson, the Director Nuclear Propulsion, Captain R. G. Bridgeman, RN, and Mrs Bridgeman, were guests last night of Vulcan Naval Reactor Test Establishment at a Trafalgar dinner at the Ulster Arms Hotel, Halkirk. The toast to The Immortal Memory was proposed by Rear-Admiral Thompson. Commander P. A. M. Thomas, RN, presided.

Royal Fusiliers

The annual dinner of the Royal Fusiliers Officers' Club was held last night at HM Tower of London. Major-General David Woodford, Colonel of the Regiment, presided.

19th Indian (Dagger) Division

The 19th Indian (Dagger) Division Association (1942-45) held their annual dinner at the Oriental Club last night to commemorate the fortieth year after VJ Day. Brigadier B. T. V. Cowey, chairman, presided, and Lieutenant-Colonel Lord Chalfont, was the guest speaker.

The 22nd (Cheshire) Regiment

Brigadier W. K. L. Prosser, Colonel of the 22nd (Cheshire) Regiment, presided at the annual dinner held last night at County Hall, Chester. The guests included the Lord Lieutenant of Chester, the Mayor of Chester, the High Sheriff of Cheshire and the Chairman of Cheshire County Council.

Royal Corps of Transport

Officers of the Royal Corps of Transport entertained past and present Colonels Commandant and the Honorary Colonels at a dinner last night at the RCT Headquarters Mess, Aldershot. The Director General of Transport and Movements, Major-General D. H. Braggins, presided.

Royal Army Educational Corps

The Duchess of Gloucester, Colonel-in-Chief of the Royal Army Educational Corps, was present at the annual dinner held last night at Eltham Palace. Among others present were:
General Sir Richard Trant, General Sir Roland Guy, General Sir Hugh Beach, Major-General D E Ryan, the Ven W F Johnston, Chaplain-General to the Forces, Brigadier H G Meechie, WRAC, Captain I F Chrishop and Air Commodore I H Forster.

Directorate of Tornado Engineering and Supply

Air Marshal Sir Michael Knight, Air Member for Supply and Organization, was tge guest of honour at the inaugural Directorate of Tornado Engineering and Supply guest night held last night at the Tri-national Tornado Training Establishment, RAF Cottesmore. Wing Commander J M Joint presided and the dinner was attended by industrialists, civil servants and serving officers of Britain and the Federal Republic of Germany.

Sale room

An English attraction in Paris

By Geraldine Norman, Sale Room Correspondent

A house sale in central Paris is highly unusual, even more so when it is furnished with English furniture. The sale of Mr Strassburger's *Hotel Particulier* in the Place Vauban on Thursday attracted quantities of English dealers but they were not paying top prices on the other side of the Channel.

The highest price among the furniture was for a handsome Chippendale breakfront bookcase at 195,000 francs (£16,956), while a Queen Anne walnut bureau-bookcase sold for 145,000 francs (£12,609). A Chippendale serpentine commode of around 1765 made 118,000 francs (£10,261). The French were more at home with a Louis XVI *bureau plat*, or library table, signed by Montigny, which scored the top price in the sale at 500,000 francs (£43,478)

A set of four coaching scenes in the four seasons, attributed to William Shayer, sold for 290,000 (£25,217) and a race-horse held by a groom by David Dalby of York, called "Matilda" which had been exhibited at the Tate in 1934, scored 270,000 francs (£23,478).

The sale brought a total of 7.9 million francs (£686,957), where only 5 million francs had been estimated.

A sporting picture was also the highlight of sale at Duke's of Dorchester yesterday when a southern England dealer carried off "A gentleman out riding on a chestnut hunter with dogs, cottages beyond," catalogued as the work J. R. Hobart of Monks Eleigh, at £4,730 (estimate £600-£1,000). The painting is signed and dated 1843.

In London, Christie's sale of English pictures totalled £268,077 with 15 per cent left unsold.

Science report

Body chemicals clue to age and ageing

By Andy Coghlan

Determining the age of trees by counting rings in a cross-section of a tree trunk is one means of chronological dating. Telling the age of humans, who may be untruthful about their age is not so easy. Now, American scientists believe it may be possible to establish a person's age by measuring the relative levels of certain chemicals in the body.

Tests on rats by Dr James Webb and colleagues at the department of Chemistry, Illinois State University, have shown that as the rodents age, so the concentration of organic acids in their urine change; some rise and others fall.

"Show us the levels of these chemicals and we can tell you the animal's age", Dr Webb says. He believes that the variations could be linked to changes in metabolism associated with the ageing process.

The chemicals under study occur in tiny quantities in the rats' urine, and are detected using an analytical method called high performance liquid chromatography.

Dr Webb has begun studies to see whether changes in the rats' diet alter the rate of ageing. Similar studies are planned to gauge the effects of drugs and environmental chemicals. Other investigations are planned on mice, but tests on humans are "much, much further away", Dr Webb says. "Similar markers may exist in humans, but there is considerably more genetic variation in people, and that complicates things".

Another obvious difficulty is that humans live much longer than rats, whose age span rarely exceeds 30 to 40 months. "It is difficult waiting around for humans to die", Dr Webb explained.

None the less, he believes the studies on rodents could throw light on the ageing process. "It is possible that the sources of some of these changes in chemical levels can be traced back to biochemical changes and defects. That would give us a better angle on what ageing really is."

Other workers in the field have also put forward theories relating ageing. Dr Robin Holliday, head of the genetic division of the UK National Institute of Medical Research, London, thinks a single genetic defect may be the cause.

He bases his belief on the fact that a number of genetically-inherited disorders, among them Down's syndrome and Werner's syndrome cause premature ageing. Victims of Werner's syndrome suffer from premature whitening of the hair, cataracts, tissue and muscle loss, and deterioration in the skin, all symptoms of all age.

Moreover, laboratory experiments have shown that normal cells taken from healthy individuals outlive those taken from victims of those disorders.

"Identification of a single factor would not, at a stroke, cure ageing, but it would be surprising if it did not provide important information about the way organs and tissues deteriorate", Dr Halliday says. Further, "it could lead to treatments which prevent the onset of age-related diseases and thus release some of the present burden placed on medical services which care for the elderly".

OBITUARY

CELINA JANSON-SMITH
Polish translator and editor

Celina Janson-Smith (Wieniewska), the distinguished Polish translator, died suddenly in London on October 13. Her literary work did much to help Anglo-Polish cultural understanding in the post-war years.

Born in Warsaw of Jewish parents in 1909, she made her mark with a brilliant popular translation into Polish of *Gone With The Wind* (1939) which ran to seven editions.

At the outbreak of war, she made an extraordinary escape from Poland via Italy, Turkey, Iraq, and India, finally arriving in England in 1941, where she at once joined the staff of the Polish Government in exile, and worked for the Polish Sector of the BBC.

She settled in London, and went on to translate the first novel of the future Nobel Prize winner, Czeslaw Milosz, *The Usurpers* (1955), and many other significant Polish works including Jerzy Andrzejewski's *He Cometh Leaping Upon The Mountains* (1963), and the short stories of the magic realist writer Bruno Schulz, *Cinnamon Shops* (1963), which won her the first Roy (New York) Translation Prize (1964).

She also edited the influential Penguin *Polish Writing Today* (1967) which introduced the work of poets like Zbigniew Herbert and Tadeusz Rozewicz to a new generation of British readers.

In 1954, Celina Wieniewska married the literary agent Peter Janson-Smith, and with him became a well-known and much-loved figure at the annual Frankfurt bookfair. Her extensive European contacts made her the British representative of several foreign publishing houses.

A charming, courageous and forceful personality, she became a kind of symbol of the indomitable spirit of the Polish community in London.

She is survived by her husband and her three step-children.

DR KARL-HEINZ WOCKER

R. H. writes:

Karl-Heinz Wocker who died in London on October 10 at the early age of 57, was for 22 years a prominent London correspondent of West German radio stations and also reported on British affairs for the weekly *Die Zeit*.

He became perhaps the most widely know interpreter of this country to a large German listening audience, and also to television viewers who appreciated his quick and versatile mind and dry Rhineland humour.

He was very much a representative of the young German generation that reached maturity in the disillusionment and new hopes of their country's "Zero Hour", 1945, rejecting both the nationalism and the politics of the past and engaging themselves in the new democracy and in European-mindness.

That Britain, the welcomed liberator from the Nazi regime, seemed to lag behind in the post-war European development, becoming inward-looking and preferring its old ways to change, was difficult to understand for the new Europeans. Karl-Heinz Wocker was a critical observer who learned to appreciate the more hidden British qualities, especially to delight in the musical life of this country.

Born in Düsseldorf on May 1 1928, Wocker completed his studies in German and English literature, history and politics at the universities of Cologne and Marburg and wrote his doctoral thesis on the Austrian poet Grillparzer.

He served a journalistic apprenticeship at the South-West German radio, joined the staff of *Stuttgarter Zeitung* and also worked for Radio *Freies Berlin* before he was sent to London in 1963 as correspondent of the North German (NDR) and West-German (WDR) broadcasting corporations.

In 1971 he published *Jenseits von Eton* (Beyond Eton) an acute assessment of post-war Britain, and in 1978 a massive biography of Queen Victoria, evidence of the serious and cultured mind that he kept alive in spite of the pressure of daily journalism.

REX ALSTON

John Woodcock writes:

Rex Alston, who has died at the age of 84, was a sports commentator with a pleasant, courteous style and a versatility seldom seen today.

A useful sportsman himself – he won an athletics blue at Cambridge, played rugby on the wing for Bedford and Rosslyn Park, and captained Bedfordshire at cricket – he taught for 17 years at Bedford School, where he had been as a boy, before joining the BBC in 1942.

After the end of the war he soon became one of England's best known radio voices, with a nice tone and no forced crescendos. He seemed as much at ease at Lord's and Wimbledon in the summer as at Twickenham and the White City (for the athletics) at other times of the year.

After retiring from the staff of the BBC, at the age of 60, he continued as a free-lance commentator, defying the years by invariably looking and sounding much younger than he was, and become a regular contributor to the sporting columns of *The Daily Telegraph*.

PROF JOHN DODGE

Professor John Dodge, Professor of Journalism at The City University, London, died at his home at Greenwich on October 16. He was 55.

Appointed Professor of Journalism in 1983, he directed one of the only two Graduate Schools of Journalism in the country with an enthusiasm and single-mindedness which in the end may have contributed to his heart attack.

Since his appointment he had trebled the student intake and set up new courses.

After gaining his MA at Cambridge he began his journalistic career with the *Northampton Evening Telegraph*. He later joined Reuters but left in 1961 to become Director of the National Council for the Training of Journalists.

In 1969 he was appointed as Director of the Communication, Advertising and Marketing Education Foundation (CAM). In 1972 he became Director of Information to the Inner London Education Authority.

A convivial man he loved news and gossip. His journalistic standards were of the highest and many working journalists have cause to recall with gratitude his teaching and advice so freely given.

He leaves a widow, two sons and a daughter.

REV R.T. BROOKS

The Rev R. T. (Peter) Brooks, who died on October 12, had one of the best known voices in religious radio, and spent the greater part of his professional life with the BBC.

He embarked on a career in banking before training for the Congregational ministry at Mansfield College, Oxford, and ministering at Skipton and Bradford.

Shortly after the war he joined the BBC in Manchester, moving ultimately to London to create a distinctively television form of Christian worship in "Seeing and Believing".

Since retiring he had spent much time and energy sharing his concern for better communication with all sorts of different groups, a concern reflected in several books and many articles.

Services tomorrow: twentieth Sunday after Trinity

CANTERBURY CATHEDRAL: Sung Euch 11, messe solonelle (Lassus). Vipes mea electa (Poulenc). Archdeacon of Canterbury. Choral E 3.30, Lloyd, Anwyl Davies's service. Save us, O Lord, waking (Bairstow). St Lutestide Service 6.30. Right Rev Mervyn Stockwood.

YORK MINSTER, HC 8, 8.45, Sung Euch 10.15. Missa Festiva (Pesterz), Canon Christopher Horton, M 11.30, Harwood in A, Rev Trafalgar Day Service 2; E 4, Stanford in B flat, A Gloria in excelsis Deo (Weelkes). Rev Canon John Toy.

ST PAUL'S CATHEDRAL: HC 8; Choral M 10.30, Jubilate (Purcell in B flat), Te Deum: the short service (Gibbons), Ven F W Harvey; Choral HC 11.30, Missa brevis (Palestrina), Jesu dulcis memoria (Anerio), Choral E 3.15, Collegium regale (Howells), A Like as the hart (Howells), Rev Alan Tanner.

WESTMINSTER ABBEY: HC 8, M 10.30, Collegium regale (Howells), Let all mortal flesh (Bairstow), Canon Trevor Beeson; E 3, Short service (Orr), Bring us, O Lord God (Harris), Rev John Scholfield, ES 6.30, Rev Anthony Harvey.

SOUTHWARK CATHEDRAL: HC 9; Euch 11, Stanford in B flat, A Almighty God, who by thy Son (Gibbons), A Be ye lotce me (Tallis), Canon Gerald Hudson, E 3, Stanford in C, A God be in my head (Rutter), Rev Dr George McPhale.

WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL: LM 7, 8, 9, 12, 8.30, 7, HM 10.30, Missa in G (Schubert), Tu es petrus (Palestrina), Ave verum (Mozart), 4.30.

ST GEORGE'S CATHEDRAL, Southwark: LM 8, 10, 12.15, 6, HM 11, L'Hora passa (Viadana), Jesu dulcis memoria (Victoria), Fr Victor McClean.

CHAPEL ROYAL, St James's Palace: HC 8.30, MP 11.15, A Welcome in the Lord (Anon), Canon P T Ashton.

QUEEN'S CHAPEL OF THE SAVOY: M 11.15, Te Deum, Vaughan Williams in G), A Lord let me know mine end (Greene), Very Rev Edward Carpenter, HC 12.30.

ROYAL NAVAL COLLEGE, Greenwich: MP 11, Lead me Lord (Wesley), A They that go down to the sea in ships (Attwood), The Chaplain.

GUARDS CHAPEL, Wellington Barracks: M 11, The Chaplain, HC 12.

LINCOLN'S INN CHAPEL: Sung Euch 11.30, Rev F V A Boyle.

TOWER OF LONDON: HC 9.15; M 11, Te Deum (Britten in E), A O God, thou art my God (Purcell), The Chaplain.

TEMPLE CHURCH, Fleet Street: HC 8.30, MP 11.15, Te Deum (Sumsion in G), Jubilate Deo (Moran in E flat), A Ascribe unto God (Tomkins), Rev Hubert Hoskins.

ST CLEMENT DANES (RAF Church): HC 8.30; M 11, Britten in C, Jesu, grant me this, I pray (Balfstow), The Chaplain; HC 12.15.

CAPEL ROYAL, Hampton Court Palace: HC 8.30, M 11, Festival (Vaughan Williams), Stanford in B flat, A I was glad (Parry), The Chaplain, E 3.30, Jesu, the very thought of thee (Bairstow), Short Service (Hooper), A Teach me O Lord (Byrd).

ALL HALLOWS BY THE TOWER: Sung Euch and Harvest Thanksgiving 11, Rev Michael Hewlett.

ALL SAINTS, Margaret Street, LM 8, 8.15, MP 10.20, HM 11, Missa brevis (Bairstow), Rev C A Reddington, Solemn E and B & S Wood in E flat, Rev J S W Young.

ALL SOULS, Langham Place, 11, Rev Michael Lawson, Service with informal music 6.30, Rev John Scott.

CHELSEA OLD CHURCH: HC 8, 12; Children's Service 10, M 11, Rev J H L Cross, E 6, Rev C E L Thomson.

CHRIST CHURCH, Chelsea: HC 8; Parish Communion 11, Pred F A Plachaud; E 6.30, Pred F A Plachaud.

GROSVENOR CHAPEL, South Audley Street: HC 8.15, Sung Euch 11, St Dominic Mass (Rubbra), Faire is heaven (Harris), Rev Dr A W Marks.

HOLY TRINITY, Brompton Road: HC 8.30, M 11, Rev J A K Millar, ES 6.30, Pred J T C B Collins.

HOLY TRINITY, Prince Consort Road: HC 8.30, 12.10.

ST ALBAN'S, Holborn: SM 9.30; HM 11, Missa bel'amfri altera (Lassus), My beloved spake (Hadley), Fr Knight, LM 5.30.

ST BARTHOLOMEW THE GREAT, Smithfield: HC 9, M and HC 11, Te Deum (Short service (Byrd), A When David heard (Tomkins), E and HC 6.30, Collegium regale (Howells), A O pray for the peace of Jerusalem (Howells), The Rector.

ST BRIDE'S, Fleet Street: HC 8.30, Choral Euch and Dedication of Royal Naval Association Standard 11, A They that go down to the sea (Sumsion), Gloria (Mozart), Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis, Short Service (Weelkes), A Give ear, O Lord (Weelkes), Canon John Oates.

ST CUTHBERT'S, Philbeach Gardens, SW5, HC 10, Sung Euch 11, Wood in Dorian mode, Super flumen Babylonis (Palestrina), Rev John Vine Healing Service 6.30, Deaconess Makin.

ST CYPRIAN'S, Clarence Gate: LM 8, M 10.30, HM 11, Rev P R Hardin.

ST GEORGE'S, Hanover Square: HC 8.30, Sung Euch 11, Whitsun in C, Lead me Lord (Wesley), Rev G D Watkins.

ST JAMES'S, Piccadilly: HC 8.30, Sung Euch 11, CEP.

ST LUKE'S, Chelsea, HC 8, 12.15, Sung Euch 10.30, Rev D R Watson, E 6.30, Rev D R Watson.

ST MARGARET'S, Westminster: HC 8.15, Choral M 11, Bishop E G Knapp-Fisher, HC 12.15.

ST MARTIN IN THE FIELDS: HC 8, Family Communion 9.45, The Vicar, MP 11.30, Rev Charles Hedley, HC 12.30, Chinese Service 3, Choral E 4.15, ES 6.30, Rev Michael Beck.

ST MARY ABBOT'S, Kensington High Street: HC 8, 12.30, Sung Euch 9.30, Rev S H M Acland, M 11.15, Rev P M Arnold, E 6.30, The Vicar.

ST MARY'S, Bourne Street: LM 9, 9.45, 7, HM 11, Missa brevis (Palestrina), Super flumina Babylonis (Palestrina), Dr Brian Horne, E and Solemn B & S 15.

ST MARY LEBONE'S Marylebone Road: HC 8, 11, Spatzenmesse (Mozart), Laudate Dominum (Mozart), Rev C K Hamel Cooke, 6.30, Rev C K Hamel Cooke.

ST MICHAEL'S, Chester Square: HC 8.15, Parish Communion 11, Rev D C L Price, Eve 6.30, Rev J A Rumford.

ST PAUL'S, Robert Adam Street: 11 and 6.30, George Cassidy.

ST PAUL'S, Wilton Place: HC 8, 9, Solemn Euch 11, Missa O quam gloriosum est regnum (Victoria), Oh how glorious is the kingdom (Harwood), Canon Douglas Rhymes.

ST PETER'S, Eaton Square: HC 8.15, Family Mass 10, Solemn Mass 11, Communion service (Darke in A minor), My soul there is a country (Parry), Archdeacon of Norwich.

ST STEPHEN'S, Gloucester Road: LM 8, HM 11, Missa Le bien que l'ai (Goudimel), Rev Robert Bowie, Solemn E and B & S, Rev Graham Monsell.

ST VEDAST, Foster Lane, Sung Euch 11, Missa Brevis (Willis), O lovely peace (Handel).

ST COLUMBA'S CHURCH OF SCOTLAND, Pont Street 11, Rev W Alexander Garms, 6.30, Rev John Burns.

CROWN COURT CHURCH, Covent Garden 11.15, Rev Keith M McRobb, 6.30, Rev Denis Duncan.

THE ASSUMPTION, Warwick Street, LM 8, 10, HM 11, Missa Iste confessor (Palestrina), Christe adoramus te (Monteverdi), Pastor nester (Stradella), LM 12.4, 6.

FARM STREET: LM 7.30, 8.30, 10,

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FINANCE AND INDUSTRY

Executive Editor Kenneth Fleet

Markets dance to old favourites from Lawson

Nigel Lawson is enough of a performer to know that the most reliable way to win an audience is to stick to the old favourites. His Mansion House speech on Thursday evening contained little that the financial markets did not already know or had not divined: the art, was to make it appear fresh and new.

The foreign exchange markets took the view that they were being told something different on interest rates. The pound gained 1.3 cents to $1.4285 against the dollar, 2.2 pfennings to DM3.7645 against the mark and 0.5 to 80.6 on the sterling index. There was some dollar weakness in this, but the main effect came from the apparent hard line on rates at the Mansion House.

The gilt-edged market, having accepted that overfunding had gone from the Bank of England's repertoire, still found something to go for in the formal statement of that position. Although too much can be made of one day's movements, the Treasury has already achieved something of the change in the yield curve that it was looking for. Prices at the long end were marked up first thing yesterday morning and the Government Broker quickly exhausted the remainder of his £800 million of Treasury 10 per cent 2001, a stock which had looked so forlorn on Thursday.

Yesterday afternoon, a little cheekily in the light of the "no overfunding" rules, the Government Broker wheeled out £600 million of taplets – £200 million of Treasury 9½ per cent 1999 and £400 million of 9½ per cent Conversion 2005.

Even the equity market, which on the face of it should have had the least to gain out of Mr Lawson's remarks, could not resist joining in the fun. The FT industrial ordinary share index rose 7.6 to 1,050.9.

A speech that can get the pound, gilts and equities all moving in the right direction is good going. To have done that without pulling rabbits out of the hat is especially commendable.

A high interest rate regime has been in place in Britain for most of this year. The scope for opportunistic rate cuts was further reduced by the Chancellor's commitments in the Group of Five accord in New York on September 22. The Chancellor's threats of higher rates were framed as contingencies. The reason for yesterday's sterling response, as far as can be determined, is that the foreign exchanges require regular reassurance that pressure from industrialists, inside and outside the House of Lords is not going to force the Government into sudden panic cuts.

The Chancellor's remarks on interest rates, and his focus on the declining profile of retail price inflation, do not preclude a gradual move to cheaper money during the winter. The City yesterday was still betting on lower rates by the end of the year.

This expectation, and the Chancellor's "let it rip" attitude towards sterling M3, implying no brake on consumer and corporate borrowing for the next few months at least, appear to have sustained equities.

The "Young Turks" who write the brokers circulars responded fairly graciously to the Mansion House speech, although most see the Chancellor's formal statement of what had been going on anyway as carrying longer term dangers.

Stephen Lewis of Phillips & Drew thinks that by focusing on the coincident indicators of MO and the exchange rate, the Chancellor will not realize he is running into problems until it is too late. Mike Osborne of Grieveson Grant regarded the speech as "very very capable," mainly because it managed to duck awkward questions like the probability of an inflation upturn in the second-half of next year. Peter Fellner of James Capel described the speech as "confused on fundamental things," and "lacking intellectual rationale".

The strategy as stated by the Chancellor certainly is not monetarism and it is not stop-go. Whether it is stop-gap, as Mr Fellner suggests, is an interesting question.

B & C Shipping takes a new pilot aboard

Now that the dust is beginning to settle over John Gunn's dramatic leap from the money and foreign exchange broker, Exco International, to British and Commonwealth Shipping, it is possible to discern the shape of things to come.

Lord Cayzer clearly expects much of his new recruit, who is starting off as an executive director without portfolio. This is very much in the British and Commonwealth tradition, where they do not tend to go in for closely defined job titles.

Mr Gunn will have a roving commission which will initially be concerned with tidying up the group's sprawling portfolio of financial and property assets, ranging from Banque de Rive and the insurance broker Cayzer Steel Bowater to a 46 per cent stake in Country and New Town Properties – and, of course, 20 per cent in Exco.

With Geoffrey Adkin and Peter Buckley, two of his fellow directors, Mr Gunn should then set about taking British and Commonwealth more positively into financial services, however conceived. This is seen as the most appropriate way to unlock the group's vast, hidden and largely ungeared wealth. Protected as it is by the Cayzer family sharcholding of 49 per cent, the management has had the luxury of building assets without worrying over much about earnings. Mr Gunn's arrival is a signal that that is about to change.

The prize for Mr Gunn at the end of this glittering path is the possibility of succeeding Lord Cayzer as chairman of British and Commonwealth, with or without a crown of share options. A more immediate question is what to do about the investment in Exco, which from being a promising child is rapidly coming to be regarded in-house as a troublesome adolescent. Contrary to market rumour this week, a takeover bid is well-nigh out of the question. It is increasingly likely that the 20 per cent stake will be sold instead, and the sooner the better if uncertainty is not to fester.

At the time Mr Gunn left Exco, a company which was in large measure his creation, there were valiant attempts to make the parting seem amicable. But the reality has been more of old colleagues gradually falling out as time fashioned their ambitions in differing likenesses. In British and Commonwealth, Mr Gunn obviously believes he has a more sympathetic environment for his restless energies.

The Governor backs Docklands alternative

The Governor of the Bank of England on Thursday evening gave official voice to what those involved in the City of London office market have known for some time, namely that the City is having to spread its physical boundaries way beyond the traditional Square Mile. The problem centres on the fact that the financial conglomerates lining up ahead of the Big Bang, need buildings with large dealing floors which can accommodate their staff under one roof.

The traditional core of the City's banking area, close to the Bank of England, can no longer provide this kind of office building, with the result that development has been moving out to the fringes of the City. Witness the pre-letting of 460,000 sq ft of the 1.25 million sq ft redevelopment at Liverpool Street station by developers Rosehaugh and Stanhope Securities, to Sherson Lehaman and Security Pacific.

The Governor, in his Mansion House speech, highlighted the need for the City to maintain its status as one of the world's three great international financial markets. Hand in hand with that need is the necessity to provide the kind of space which the banking community wants. Mr Leigh-Pemberton admitted that the Bank of England preferred the community to cluster together byt now recognizes that electronic communications have reached the importance of physical proximity. He came down firmly in favour of financial institutions choosing their own locations where they believe they can operate most effectively. And he made a veiled reference to the opportunities in London's Docklands, which are only the proverbial stone's throw from the City.

His observations are opportune. Docklands, after more than a decade of neglect by the City, is becoming an alternative location for the banking industry. A US banking consortium, led by Credit Suisse First Boston, has decided to develop 10 million sq ft of space in the Docklands enterprise zone, a decision fuelled by the lack of suitable space in the Square Mile.

The situation has not been helped by the City Corporation's much critized draft development plan buildings. Perhaps the Governor's voice will help to promote much-needed revisions in the plan.

Liffe-Chicago yen futures deal paves way for global market

By Michael Prest, Financial Correspondent

Japan took a big stride towards the internationalization of its financial markets yesterday when, on the eve of today's launch of Tokyo's first government bond futures contract, the London International Financial Futures Exchange and the Chicago Board of Trade signed an agreement to develop a Japanese government bond contract which could be traded on both exchanges.

It is intended that the contract be fungible between Chicao and London, and eventually between those two centres and Tokyo, thhereby creating the world's first 24-hour global bond contract. Fungible means that a contract bought in one market can be sold freely in another.

Mr Brian Williamson, chairman of Liffe, who was in Tokyo to sign the memorandum of intent with the CBOT, said that the establishment of the futures contract is in recognition of the interest in Europe and the United States in the expanding Japanese market and will encourage development of yen futures both inside and outside Japan.

"It willbe the first time you can have a contract traded around the world", Mr Williamson said. The cash market for Japanese government bonds in London is already worth $300 million a day, and there is keen, although at the moment smaller, interest in America in trading on the huge Japanese official debt market.

The contract launched in Tokyo today is quite closely modelled on the British gilt futures contract traded by Liffe. It is based on a notional 10-year bond carrying a 6 per cent coupon and with a face value of 100 million yen (£329,000). At the moment 18 long-term bonds are deliverable against the contract.

For the moment ring trading in the contract on the floor of the Tokyo Stock Exchange will be limited to 33 of the main securities houses in Japan. But it is expected that five foreign firms will be allowed to participate by the end of the year.



Brian Williamson: changes needed in Tokyo

Mr Williamson said that the start of bond futures trading in London and Chicago would depend on how quickly the Tokyo market gathered volume and on the changing by the Tokyo Stock Exchange of a number of practices which he feels will hinder operations.

But Mr Robert Goldberg, the chairman of the CBOT, who was also in Tokyo for the signing, said that five years from now Chicago would be trading 10,000 contracts a day which would be worth $4.6 billion on present values.

So far there has been no official approval from the Japanese authorities for starting yen bond trading in Britain and America. But it is understood that the Japanese ministry of finance and the Bank of Japan are very sympathetic to the idea. There has been close cooperation between Liffe, the CBOT and Japanese officials for more than a year.

In a separate development which underlines the increasingly international character of these markets, the Securities and Exchange Commission and the Commodity Futures Trading Commmission, the two main American regulatory bodies, are close to approving the fungible trading of currency options between the London Stock Exchange and the Philadelphia Exchange.

Grand Met to sell Mecca

By Patience Wheatcroft

Grand Metropolitan is to sell its Mecca Leisure and Warner Holiday businesses. Grand Met, which has interests ranging from Watney's brewing to Express Dairies, has decided that bingo halls and holdiay camps do not fit into its long-term plans and is now having talks that could lead to a £50 million management buyout.

More than 160 Mecca-owned clubs and dance halls are to be sold, with ice rinks, bowling alleys, snooker clubs and an outside catering business. Warner Holidays operates a dozen British holiday centres and Travelscene, a company providing short package tours abroad.

These interests account for 2 per cent of Grand Met's sales and probably made pre-tax profits of about £6 million – £7 million in the year to September. Analysts forecast that Grand Met's total pretax profits for the period will be little changed from the previous year's £334 million.

Mr Michael Guthrie, the chief executive of Mecca Leisure and Warner, is organizing funding for a buyout and hopes to talk to the Grand Met board on Monday. A spokesman for Grand Met said yesterday that now it was known that the companies were for sale it would expect interest from other potential bidders.

The possibility of a sale was first reported in *The Times* yesterday after the stock market had sent the shares up 17p to 362p. The sale fits in with plans by the chairman, Mr Stanley Grinstead, to reshape the company, concentrating its interests in high-growth areas, particularly in the services sector.

He has said that by the end of the decade Grand Met will have only a third of its interests in Britain, a third in the United States and one third in the rest of the world. Tempus, page 13

Burton is silent on Owen Owen

By Our City Staff

The Burton Group is declining to comment on reports that it will bid for Owen Owen, the stores group despite complaints to the Takeover Panel from Clayform Properties, which is already bidding £39.5 million for the company.

Clayform's financial adviser, Mr Rupert Faure-Walker, of Samuel Montague, yesterday insisted that the speculation was creating a false market in Owen Owen shares. "Burton should jolly well say 'yes of 'no' and not 'don't know'," he said. But the panel does not accept his argument and is not pushing Burton to make a clarifying statement.

The panel feels that this case is different from that of Distillers, when speculation about a bid from Mr James Gulliver's Argyll Group sent the Distillers' share price soaring. It called on Argyll to explain its position, and it is now holding the company to its statement that it had no intention of bidding "at the present time".

But in the case of Owen Owen, the panel appears to have decided that Burton has done nothing to cause the reports and should not have to respond to speculation. It also reasons that because Clayform is already subject to a bid, it is in a different situation from Distillers.

Owen Owen shares yesterday rose another 10p to 490p. The bid from Clayform is worth just 400p a share.

DCL brings in new deputy chief

By Jeremy Warner
Business Correspondent

Distillers, the Scotch whisky group which is under threat of a hostile £1.5 billion takeover bid from Mr James Gulliver's Argyll Group, is bolstering its top management with the appointment of a new deputy chief executive.

He is Mr Bill Spengler, aged 57 and until recently president and chief operating officer of international and domestic operations for Owens-Illinois, one of the world's leading packaging corporations.

Distillers (DCL) has been under pressure from its newly-appointed merchant bank, Kleinwort Benson, to bring in new management blood and the Distillers chairman and chief executive, Mr John Connell, has had in mind the unprecedented move of appointing an outsider as his deputy for some months.

Mr Spengler is a United States citizen and will be moving to Britain to take up his new post. He will have special responsibility for finance and planning. His remuneration could well exceed that of Mr Connell, who earned £116,000 in the year to the end of last March.

Stockbroking analysts generally welcomed Mr Spengler's appointment, seeing it as further evidence of the positive way in which Distillers has responded to the threat of a bid from Argyll, a good retailing and manufacturing concern.

One said: "It can only do good to bring in someone who can provide a tough, abrasive voice on the board".

Mr Spengler's association with Distillers goes back to the late 1960s when he was managing director of Unite Glass, a bottle-making company jointly owned by Distillers and Owens-Illinois.

● The normally reticent Kuwait Investment Office denied reports that it had bought a 3 per cent stake in Distillers.

The Kuwait Government, which bans alcohol on religious grounds, publicly rebuked the KIO a few months ago when it came to light that the office had bought into a Scotch whisky distiller.

Hillsdown in agreed bid for Walker & Homer

By Alison Eadie

Hillsdown Holdings, the food manufacturing group, has made an agreed £2.7 million bid for Walker & Homer, the Glamorgan upholstered furniture manufacturer.

Only last month Hillsdown paid £6.25 million for Christie-Tyler, Britain's biggest upholstered furniture maker, also based in Glamorgan.

Christie-Tyler and Walker & Homer are very complementary, according to Mr Harry Solomon, joint chairman of Hillsdown.

Hillsdown has received irrevocable acceptances for 38.4 per cent of the shares. The terms of the offer are 20p cash a share or two new Hillsdown shares for 17 Walker & Homer.

Walker & Homer announced annual figures to July 31 showing an 18.4 per cent rise in taxable profits to £540,000 on turnover marginally ahead.

A further dividend of 0.55p is being paid in lieu of a final. An interim 0.2p was paid earlier this year after a dividend hiatus of six years.

Trading conditions have been difficult for some years and the directors of Walker & Homer believed that competition in the upholstery market limited the prospects for growth if Walker remained independent.

Hillsdown still has less than 10 per cent of its turnover in furniture. It is Britain's fourth largest food manufacturer, producing Buxted Poultry and Smedley's and Lockwoods canned food.

IN BRIEF

Davidson success

The offer of shares in Davidson Pearce, the advertising agency, has been oversubscribed, possibly five times. The basis of allocation will be announced on Monday and dealings start a week later. A small premium to the 160p offer price is widely expected but investors' enthusiasm could be dampened by the prospect of other new issues soon to be launched in similar businesses.

Davidson Pearce hopes to be able to announce soon that it has gained a client in the financial field. Its client list includes Trans World Airlines, Fiat, Brooke Bond Oxo and British Gas Corporation. The company has forecast pretax profits of at least £2.15 million for the year to December 31 and is promising a final dividend of 1.5p.

Hume terms

The terms of Aitken Hume's £16.5 million agreed offer for Sentinel Insurance, privately owned UK life assurance company, were confirmed yesterday. The offer will be financed through £15.7 million of new Aitken Hume shares and the rest paid from existing bank facilities.

Commodity loss

Sime Darby, the plantations group based in Malaysia, lost four million ringgits (£1.15 million) on commodity trading in London and New York during the last financial year.

Mercury Communications and Houston International Teleport have agreed satellite communication facilities which will give Mercury immediate access to the South-western United States. A satellite earth station at the South Houston teleport will be matched by one on the Isle of Dogs.

TI stake

Evered Holdings, the engineering company which heads a concert party with more than 20 per cent of TI Group, has sent shareholders a circular detailing its purchases in TI. It says that substantial growth in taxable profits and earnings a share continues at Evered.

Investment fall

Overseas investment by British institutions fell sharply in the second quarter. Purchases of overseas securities totalled £427 million, compared with £1,400 million in the first quarter.

Allied advice

Allied-Lyons advised shareholders last night to take no action if the expected takeover bid for the company is announced on Monday by the Australian group, Elders IXL.

Fleet takeover

United Newspapers' successful takeover bid for Fleet Holdings has become fully unconditional.

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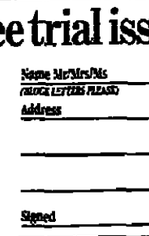
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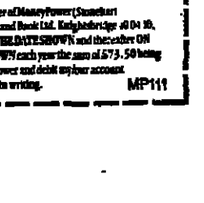
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Maunders plans move south

John Maunders Construction, the North-west of England house-builder, plans to buy six house-building sites in the South from Milbury Homes South, the company that St Piran repossessed. St Piran was the holding company of the controversial Mr Jim Raper.

Mr John Maunder, the chairman of the house-builder, would not reveal how much he has agreed to pay for the sites but the deal hinges on the High Court setting aside a winding-up petition for Milbury Homes South, due for hearing at the end of November.

If the court agrees to set aside the petition, Mr Maunder will be able to complete the purchase, which will give his company more than 200 homes in the South, a market it has long been aiming at. Most houses on the Milbury sites are for first-time buyers and cost between £25,000 and £35,000.

MARKET SUMMARY

STOCK MARKETS

FT Ind Ord	1050.9 (+ 7.6)
FT All Share	652.75 (+2.54)
FT Govt Securities	84.57 (+0.24)
FT-SE 100	1341.2 (+5.3)
Bargains	24,209
Datastream USM	106.08 (–0.27)
New York	
Dow Jones	1370.51 (+1.22)
Tokyo	
Nikkei Dow	12973.22 (–47.92)
Hong Kong:	
Hang Seng	1639.89 (+15.10)
Amsterdam:	216.4 (–0.5)
Sydney: AO	1235.1 (+1.1)
Frankfurt:	
Commerzbank	1672.4 (+18.4)
Brussels:	
General	686.34 (+1.85)
Paris: CAC	211.6 (+0.4)

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London fixing:
am $ 326.25 pm $326.25
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Comex (latest) $ 326.95

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Polytech Eltn	180p +20p
Logica	166p +15p
Brewmaker	20p +2p
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Humberside Eltn	11p +1p
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Sutherland E. T.	98p +8p
Metal Sciences	6.50p +0.50p
Scantronic	95p +7p
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Mainmet Hldgs	43p +3p
Bullough	220p +18p
Aitken Hume Int	161p +11p
Steinberg Group	89p +6p
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Neepsend	23.50p +1.50p
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$ Index: 130.7(–0.2)
ECU £0.588030
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London:
Bank Base: 11½%
3-month Interbank 11⅜–11⅞%
3-month eligible bills buying rate 11⅜–11⅜%
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6	Pochins	
7	Roberts Adlard	
8	Travis & Arnold	
9	Lovell (Y.J)	
10	Bryant	
	INDUSTRIALS S–Z	
11	Spencer Clark	
12	Vickers	
13	Sterling Ind	
14	Staveley	
15	Tilegroup	
16	Sale Tilney	
17	Sper (J.W)	
18	TNT	
19	Whatman Reeve	
20	Sunlight Serv	
	FOODS	
21	Hillsdown Hldgs	
22	Meat Trade Supp	
23	Dee	
24	Kwik Save	
25	Sainsbury (J)	
26	Cadbury Schweppe	
27	Avana	
28	Global Gp	
29	Argyll	
30	Assoc Dairies	
	DRAPERY AND STORES	
31	Woolworth	
32	Formaster	
33	Simpson (S) 'A'	
34	Etam	
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445	360	Brown Shipley	390		13.2	3.4
548	488	Cater Allen	535		41.5	8.2
280½	231	Cattles	280½		2.9	9.1
624	345	Chase Manhattan	530		8.4	8.1
41½	27½	Citicorp	39½		3.8	6.5
41½	28	Citra	41		3.6	8.7
89½	43½	Com Bank Wales	89			
284	227	Commercebank	267½		8.8	2.1
164	104½	Deutsche Bank	139		6.8	6.8
155	74½	First Nat Finance	144			
572	284	Gerrard Nat	516		18.5	5.5
188	98	Guinness Peat	183		2.3	2.5
188	101	Hambros	188		9.5	5.2
27	13½	Hawtin	24		12.5	5.8
95	73	Hill Samuel	93		18.5	5.9
95	81½	HK Shanghai	94		1.6	
278	233	Joseph (Leopold)	273		16.1	5.9
156	105	King & Shaxson	152		11.5	7.9
516	375	Kleinwort Benson	510		21.4	4.2
444	345	Lloyds	440		26.5	6.1
28	20	Manson	28		2.1	7.6
572	398	Mercury Secs	570		22.9	4.0
417	322	Midland	414		26.4	6.4
229	178	Nat Aust Bk	226			
718	567	Nat West	682		37.6	5.5
82	69½	Ottoman	67½		5.6	7.5
358	183	Provident	350		19.7	5.4
80	60	Rea Bros	80		5.1	6.4
116	82	Rothschild (J) Hld	108		6.5	6.1
21½	16	Royal Bk Of Can	21½			
234	216	Royal Bnk Of Scot	229		12.8	4.8
10½	7½	Schroders	210		28.4	2.5
72	55	Smith St Aubyn	71		1.9	2.5
552	522	Stand Chart	534		52.1	8.5
748	599	Ulster	683		32.9	5.0
97	66	Wagon	96		6.5	5.5
51½	39½	Wells Fargo	50½			
280	240	Wintrust	280		6.9	2.7

BUILDING AND ROADS

202	172	Aberdeen Constr	190			10.5	5.5	11.9
280	250	Amec	250			15.7	6.2	10.0
129	92	Armitage	92			0.1p	0.3	7.7
128	102	Ashwoods	117			5.7	4.9	10.5
208	208	BPB Industries	208			11.9	3.8	12.2
214	204	Baggeridge Brick	214			8.5	3.9	13.5
128	112	Barratt Dev	128			10.9	4.1	
34	19	Bailey(Brn) Constr	22			0.4	1.8	4.4
98	91	Bamford	98			16.6	7.2	9.2
79	51	Beazer Concrete	79			5.4	5.4	23.7
72	51	Bett Bros	72			4.4	6.2	10.8
265	245	Blockleys	265			20.9	9.7	12.7
240	194	Blue Circle	240			23.5	5.1	7.7
78	69	Bovis/Cloud Hill	78			13.8	8.7	11.7
88	66	Brickhouse Dudley	88			4.9	7.1	11.7
26	16	Br Dredging	26			3.6	5.2	15.4
21	11	Brown&Jackson	17					11.7
85	61	Brownlee	71			5.7	8.5	7.9
84	66	Bryant	84			4.7	5.4	10.7
130	98	Burnett & Hallam				12.5		
150	146	Cement Roadstone	146			4.4	3.0	24.7
91	60	Cement-Readstone	78			8.0	3.3	
48	42	Conder Grp	48			2.1	4.1	28.1
294	204	Costain	288			22.1	4.3	10.1
116	84	Countrywide	116			7.5	2.2	8.1
111	88	Crouch (Derek)	106			7.9	7.5	23.2
60	40	Crouch (George)	50			8.1	8.0	7.1
111	88	Cruse&Co (RM)	73			2.5	3.5	12.7
61	44	Elrich	61			4.4	7.3	9.8
51	41	Fab	51			4.1	4.7	12.0
51	41	Do 'A'	51			4.1	7.4	7.8
6	4	Farlen (Jschg)	6			4.3	8.4	26.4
220	117	French Kier	215			9.9	4.6	11.1
84	64	Galliford	79			6.3	8.0	12.9
119	83	Gilbert & Shandy Ord	105			3.3	3.2	10.6
248	204	Gleeson (MJ)	248			7.2	2.9	11.7
111	88	HAT	104			5.3	5.1	10.8
52	42	Hallam Ber	49					10.8
72	58	Hamilton-Stuart	72			2.3	3.3	20.1
152	114	Heywood Williams	147			8.9	6.0	8.6
391	391	Higgs & Hill	445			18.3	4.1	12.0
188	188	Hollick Johnson	184			8.1	3.7	12.5
188	188	Jarvis (J) & Sons	304			26.0	7.8	10.2
375	375	Laing (J)	304			8.5	2.9	9.7
106	106	Do 'A'	304			8.5	2.9	9.7
106	106	Lawrence (Walter)	106			4.8	5.6	8.5
67	67	Lilley (FJC)	67			5.2	7.5	10.1
1365	1365	Lovell (Y.J)	1365			8.5	3.1	14.5
194	194	Magnet & South	192			8.7	5.1	13.7
188	188	Mallinson	188			10.9	5.8	10.2
116	116	Marshalls (Halifax)	168			8.4	3.8	12.4
97	74	May & Hassell	94			5.4	5.7	
233	233	McAlpine (Alfred)	268			16.1	6.2	10.4
14	14	Meiler (Stanley)	16			7.5	4.8	8.8
1365	1365	Monk (A)	1365					
398	398	Monk(n (John)	316			19.6p	6.2	21.2
188	188	Mowlem	280			15.7	1.8	15.3
163	143	Nottingham Brick	160			7.9	4.9	14.9
800	800	Pearce (CH) Sons	725			11.1	1.5	13.8
250	250	Pentlemon	250			6.8	2.7	
567	567	Phoenix Timber	116			4.8	3.7	
280	280	Pochins	280			18.4	6.5	6.4
462	462	RMC	462			18.9	4.2	10.1
265	265	Redland	261			19.0	7.2	8.6
177	177	Roberts Adlard	193			8.5	5.7	12.8
365	365	Rowlinson Secs	365			9.9	2.8	6.8
145	145	Rutland	203			11.1	5.5	10.7
132	132	Ryarsy Cement	132			3.9p	3.0	10.9
232	232	SGB	232			9.0	3.9	10.5
97	82	Sharpe & Fisher	97			3.2	3.4	14.9
70	70	Smart (J)	70			9.9	9.9	11.7
511	511	Tarmac	570			11.7	3.2	11.2
348	348	Taylor Woodrow	508			21.4p	4.3	13.6
265	265	Tilcon Group	280			7.9	5.8	10.3
143	143	Travis & Arnold	202			11.5	5.7	10.8
177	177	Trent	177			10.0	5.5	10.5
178	178	Wimpey	178			12.9	7.3	7.7
217	217	Ward	217			9.5	4.4	11.7
78	78	Warrington (T)	78			5.7	7.5	8.7
184	184	Watts Blake	184			6.0	3.2	14.8
74	74	Western Bros	74			1.4	1.9	14.8
47	47	Wiggins	47					
278	278	Wilson (Connolly)	278			4.5	1.9	13.8
139	97	Wimpey (George)	139			4.5	3.3	13.2

CHEMICALS, PLASTICS

225	121	AK20 N/V Beaver	225			400	13.9	
202	202	Allied Colloids	195			9.5	2.4	14.1
280	280	Amersham	280			9.6	2.3	10.4
130	109	Aztor Chemical	130			5.1	3.9	7.5
114	91	Bayer DM50	114			780	10.2	
189	189	Blagden	114			10.3	9.9	8.6
184	184	Brent Chems	184			8.1	4.5	12.6
113	113	Br Benzol	113					
72	72	Br Tar Products	72			6.0	4.4	18.4
140	140	Canning (W)	140			6.1	5.7	13.2
134	134	Cookson	134			8.2	6.1	10.2
140	140	Coates Bros	140			6.6	4.7	8.5
134	134	Do 'A'	134			6.6	4.7	8.5
14	14	Cory (Horace)	14			0.7	4.9	8.1
132	132	Croda	132			16.0	7.8	13.7
		Do Old						9.7
72	72	Ellis & Everard	72			5.5	7.5	10.1
140	140	Fisher(C&W)	140			7.1	5.1	7.4
85	85	Hammond (James)	85			21.4	6.2	7.9
140	140	Hickson	140					
221	221	Hoechst DM50	221			44.3	6.8	6.5
916	916	Imp Chem Ind	954			63.5	6.9	7.4
135	135	Laporte	135			10.5	7.1	17.0
144	144	Lilgut	144			4.5	3.5	15.0
141	141	Pilkt	141			9.1	1.8	17.2
1365	1365	Rentokil Hldgs.	1365			3.0	4.3	
1365	1365	Ransoll	1365			32.2	2.1	20.4
1365	1365	SHIA BPO	1365					
1365	1365	Stewart Plastic	1365			3.6	2.6	19.4
1365	1365	Wolstenholme Rink	1365			11.1	4.0	10.5
83	83	Yorkshire Chem	83			2.5e	4.8	

CINEMAS AND TV

165	120	Anglia TV 'A'	165			11.4	6.8	11.8
1365	1365	Cranada	1365			24.6	6.3	8.6
1365	1365	HTV N/V	1365			11.9	7.2	
1365	1365	LWT Hldgs	1365			22.8	6.2	8.6
1365	1365	Scot TV 'A'	1365			12.7	6.5	8.4
1365	1365	TVS N/V	1365			24.7	7.5	7.9
1365	1365	TSW	1365			24.7	7.5	7.9

BUILDING AND ROADS

484	308	Bowthorpe	336		+2	8.2	2.4	18.4
207	104½	Br Telecom 99p P	182		+1	8.3	5.1	12.0
97	78	Brown Bovari Kent	79		+1	3.6	4.5	10.8
51	11½	Bulgin (AF) 'A'	12½			1.8	16.4	28.1
200	120	CASE	104		-6	1.8	1.7	8.7
445	445	Cable & Wireless	520			11.1	1.5	20.5
198	198	Cambridge Elec	200		-6	10.2	5.1	9.3
171	171	CAP Gp	171					
32	32	Chloride	32		+1			12.2
217	217	Do 7½% CPF	217					
223	223	Compair	223			17	6.6	17.5
216	216	Cray Elect	216			4.2	1.9	23.6
103	103	Crystalate	103			8.8	5.4	8.3
72	72	Data Elect	72			6.4	6.9	25.1
168	168	Datasery	168			1.9	0.5	
14	14	Dewhurst 'A'	14			1.2	8.5	10.8
276	245	Domino	276			2.5	0.9	32.0
134	134	Dowding & Mills	134			4.9	6.0	12.7
148	148	Dubsfar	148			3.8	2.4	12.8
338	338	Electrocomponents	338			15	2.3	23.9
47	47	Electronic Mach	47			1.9p	2.1	23.1
41	41	Electronic Rentals	41			4.9p	11.2	16.1
254	254	Emess Lighting	254			7.9	5.1	28.7
277	277	Eurotherm	277			6.1	2.2	18.2
175	175	Farnell Elect	175			2.9	1.6	28.1
116	116	Fermont	116			2.9	1.9	16.5
97	97	First Castle Elec	97			3.1	3.2	14.7
144	144	Forward Tech	144					14.7
166	166	GEC	166			5.7	3.4	11.3
166	166	Glenrothe	166			8.2	7.5	9.0
78	78	Highland Elect	78			2.8	2.6	14.5
143	143	IPL	143					
326	326	Int Signal & Control	326			1.0	0.3	
150	150	Jones Stroud	150			10.0	5.2	9.1
97	97	Kode	97			3.5	5.7	12.7
238	238	Lec Refrigeration	238			17.5	7.8	8.5
238	238	Logica	238		+15	7.4	3.5	19.0
115	115	M/F Elect	115			14.9	6.0	9.5
355	355	Micro B	355			3.6	1.1	31.3
61	61	Micro B5	61			2.5	4.1	9.8
130	130	Micro Focus	130					
75	75	Multitone Elec	75			4.0	7.9	37.5
92	92	Murray Elect	92			0.2p	0.2	
92	92	Newsom	92			1.1	4.8	7.5
170	170	Normark (Louis)	170			18.9	7.5	10.7
90	90	Oceonics	90			7.5	9.9	14.0
44	44	Oxford Instruments	44			1.7	3.1	10.5
348	348	Petbow	348			1.9	3.1	15.3
80	80	Pilcom	80			1.5	5.4	8.1
39	39	Pilcom	39			575	5.8	
195p	195p	Philips Fin 6 5/8%	195p					
195p	195p	Philips Lamps N/V	195p					
115	115	Plessey	152			7.5	4.9	8.5
114	114	Do 'A' Ltd Voting	136			7.5	5.5	7.5
139	139	Plessey	139			6.2	4.8	10.9
14	14	Racal ADR 2S	214p					
65	65	Pressac	113			2.1	2.9	8.6
36	36	Quest Automation	36					16.5
144	144	Racal Elect	144		-1	4.3	3.0	12.5
178	178	Scholes (GH)	178			5.7	3.5	11.0
435	435	Shorttock	435			20.6	4.6	9.7
84	84	Sound Diffusion	84			2.1	2.5	
49	49	STC	49			0.8	1.5	9.5
76	76	Stone Ind	76					8.8
178	178	System Designers	178			8.2	3.5	11.2
74	74	TDK	219½			8.6	0.7	51.8
178	178	Telephone Rentals	178			10.0p	5.6	12.9
361	361	Thorn EMI	361			25.0	6.9	13.0
134	134	Thorn (Ern)	134			5.4	4.1	8.9
211	211	Tunstall Telecom	211			2.1	1.1	13.7
211	211	UEI	211			7.5	3.6	16.8
185	185	Unitech	185			5.1	2.7	10.8
253	253	Utd Leasing	253			5.1	1.6	8.8
185	185	Utd Scientific	185			6.1	4.2	18.2
318	318	VG Instruments	318			2.7	0.8	27.4
211	211	Vokes	211			10.7	6.1	14.2
93	93	Western Selection	93			3.9	6.7	17.7
185	185	Whitworth Elec	185			2.2	2.3	15.0
260	260	Wholesale Fixing	260			9.5	3.7	13.5

FINANCE AND LAND

234	210	Abingworth	215			1.8	0.8	
133	126	Allied Hldgs	161		+11	19.0	8.2	8.8
280	280	Anglo Scottish	310			20.0	6.5	8.0
161	70	Bentley Tech	70					
177½	177½	Cedar	215p			15.7	0.9	
159	159	Candover	203			2.9	1.4	69.2
10	10	Centrovoy	18					
198	198	Hambro	198		+2	10.2	5.4	28.7
91	91	Hoy & Sins	160			4.8	2.9	27.9
114	114	Meldrole	162			7.1	4.4	29.8
44	44	Nat Home Loans	47					
240½		Ottoman	240½					
203	123	Park Place	203			8.6	4.4	17.2

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FOODS

27	18	Alpine Drinks	19			2.6	13.5	
245	245	Angus	245		+2	6.9	3.7	20.6
214	214	Alf Food	245			8.2	3.3	11.8
114	114	Assoc Dairies	142			3.9	2.8	18.1
98	98	Assoc Fisheries	98			3.9	4.1	14.3
573	573	Avana	573		+2	15.1	2.8	17.2
215	215	Banks (Sidney C)	227			14.2	5.6	7.8
213	213	Bass	213			10.7	5.0	7.2
163	163	Bassett Foods	163			9.0	3.8	9.4
116	116	Batleys	116			3.9	2.8	13.6
149	149	Bibby	149			9.0	2.8	8.5
98	98	Bilsland Conf	98			7.4	11.5	18.5
98	98	Br Vending (BVI)	98		+1	1.7	3.1	12.5
195	195	Cadbury-Schweppe	195			8.4	5.7	10.6
160	160	Cams Milling	160			7.9	5.1	8.4
160	160	Cliffords Dairies	160			9.6	6.0	12.0
115	115	Do 'A'	115			9.6	6.0	10.8
225	225	Cullens	225					
245	245	Dee	245			7.1	2.9	
130	130	Fisher (Albert)	130		+3	2.1	1.6	42.5
232	232	Fitch Lovell	232			13.9	6.0	17.6
96	96	Glass Glover	96			4.9p	2.1	19.8
189	189	Global Gp	189			3.2	6.4	14.8
189	189	Hazlewood Foods	189			11.4	6.1	15.2
175	175	Hillards	175			8.6	4.9	15.9
175	175	Hilldown Hldgs	175			8.6	4.9	20.2
178	178	Hosie Fenn	178			8.6	5.7	7.8
272	272	Kirkland Frozen	272			8.6	2.7	20.8
233	233	Mark Bevis	233			6.0	2.7	28.8
115	115	Lees (John J)	115			4.1	3.1	9.2
74	74	Lovell (GF)	74			2.3	3.6	38.2
115	115	Low (Wm)	115			17.1	2.8	14.1
515	515	Matthews (Bernard)	515		+10	11.1	2.1	24.5
365	365	Maynards	365			18.8	4.3	20.4
144	144	Meat Trade Supp	144			4.3	3.0	12.5
435	435	Morrison (W)	435			5.7	3.5	11.0
136	136	Nordbers	136			7.1	5.3	10.2
246	246	Nichols (Jas) (Vimto)	246		+5	7.9	3.5	15.0
275	275	Normans	275			7.1	3.5	15.0
275	275	North Foods	275			10.4	3.8	12.8
150	150	Nordin & Peacock	150		+2	5.2	3.5	14.2
150	150	Park Foods	150			5.1	4.0	12.8
161	161	RHM	161			16.0	6.1	13.0
150	150	Sandrs Mac	150			8.4	1.6	22.8
345	345	Sainsbury (J)	345			8.4	1.6	22.8
143	143	Salvesen (Chas)	143			4.1	2.9	
143	143	Semperbex	143		+3			61.4
205	205	Sims & Lyle	205			28.6	5.5	18.7
289	289	Tesco	289			8.9	2.5	18.6
289	289	Unigate	289			11.7	5.7	13.6
189	189	Utd Biscuits	189			10.9	5.6	10.2
117	98	Watson & Philp	117		+4	8.1p	7.0	9.5

HOTELS AND CATERERS

373	373	Grand Met	395		+7	13.6	3.7	12.9
1365	1365	Kennedy Brookes	1365			12.6	6.7	12.7
1365	1365	Ladbroke	1365			15.6	5.1	11.9
416	416	Lon Park Hotels	416			11.9p	2.6	42.8
77	77	Mount Charlotte	109			1.8	2.0	18.5
1365	1365	Prince Of Wl Hotels	102			2.0	3.8	15.5
53	53	Queens Moat	53			2.6	3.8	15.5
415	365	Savoy Hotels 'A'	575			3.6	1.0	18.5
78	78	Stakis	102			1.5	2.5	20.8
161	119	Trusthouse Forte	142			7.0	4.8	20.2

INDUSTRIALS A–D

177	118	AAH	171			9.7	5.7	13.6
1365	1365	AGB Research	1365			9.3	5.4	24.6
1365	1365	ASK	1365			9.3	7.7	11.9
1365	1365	APV	1365			7.1	6.4	23.8
1365	1365	Aaronson	1365			16.1	6.4	23.8
1365	1365	Ackrill	1365			11.1	5.5	12.1
1365	1365	Alexandra Worsted	1365			7.1	3.8	15.2
1365	1365	Amber Ind	1365			8.8	7.1	8.7
1365	1365	Ambrian	1365			6.8	5.2	12.5
1365	1365	Anderson	1365					
1365	1365	Armour	1365					
1365	1365	Ash & Lacy	1365			5.9p	6.3	10.6
1365	1365	Ashley	1365					
1365	1365	Ass Br Eng 8%	1365					
1365	1365	Assoc Heat	1365			15.7	4.1	18.5
1365	1365	Assoc Telecomm	1365			5.3		
1365	1365	Aurora	1365			1.1p	2.6	11.7
1365	1365	Avon Rubber	1365			7.4	2.5	7.4
1365	1365	Ayrshire Metal	1365			7.4	2.5	7.4
1365	1365	BET	1365			7.4	2.5	14.1
1365	1365	BET Dfd	1365			7.4	2.5	14.1
1365	1365	BETEC	1365			7.4	2.5	14.1
1365	1365	BIS	1365			7.4	2.5	14.1
1365	1365	Babcock	1365			7.4	2.5	14.1
1365	1365	Bailey (CH)	1365			7.4	2.5	14.1
1365	1365	Baird (Wm)	1365			7.4	2.5	14.1
1365	1365	Baker Perkins	1365			7.4	2.5	14.1
1365	1365	Barro Ind	1365			7.4	2.5	14.1
1365	1365	Bartlett	1365			7.4	2.5	14.1
1365	1365	Bargat	1365			7.4	2.5	14.1
1365	1365	Barlow Rand	1365			7.4	2.5	14.1
1365	1365	Barrow Hepburn	1365			7.4	2.5	14.1
1365	1365	Barton Transport	1365			7.4	2.5	14.1
1365	1365	Baynes (Charles)	1365			7.4	2.5	14.1
1365	1365	Bellison Clarke	1365			7.4	2.5	14.1
1365	1365	Bemrose	1365			7.4	2.5	14.1
1365	1365	Bespoke	1365			7.4	2.5	14.1
1365	1365	Bestar Cosmetics	1365			7.4	2.5	14.1
1365	1365	Bemrot	1365			7.4	2.5	14.1
1365	1365	Berisford (SBW)	1365			7.4	2.5	14.1
1365	1365	Berisfords	1365			7.4	2.5	14.1
1365	1365	Bestobell	1365			7.4	2.5	14.1
1365	1365	Bibby	1365			7.4	2.5	14.1
1365	1365	Bickwood	1365			7.4	2.5	14.1
1365	1365	Bevan (EP)	1365			7.4	2.5	14.1
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FOREIGN EXCHANGES

The pound improved well on foreign exchanges yesterday following the Chancellor's speech at the Mansion House, at which he indicated a change in monetary policy but continued caution over interest rates.

Sterling was also encouraged by the central banks. It gained ground throughout the day against many currencies, and though it lost the best level against the dollar, having touched 1.4300 at one stage, it still closed with a rise of 1.30 cents on the overnight at 1.4285.

Sterling also did well against the mark, though dealers said that in quiet trading the rise, of 220 points to 3.7645, was nothing dramatic.

STERLING SPOT AND FORWARD RATES

	Market rates day's range October 18	Market rates close October 18	1 month	3 months
New York	$1 4170-1 4300	$1 4280-1 4290	0.44-0 42 c prem	1.19-1 16 c prem
Montreal	$1 9458-1 9513	$1 9482-1 9501	0 57-0 50 c prem	1.40-1.34 c prem
Amsterdam	4.2234-4 2583fl	4.2490-4 2583fl	2¼-2 c prem	6-5¾c prem
Brussels	75 70-76 39fr	76 27-76 39fr	20-17 c prem	54-48 c prem
Copenhagen	13 6009-13 6581k	13 6424-13.6591k	3-2½ ore prem	7¾-6¾ ore prem
Dublin	1 2077-1 2155p	1 2155-1 2165p	29-25p prem	87-48 p prem
Frankfurt	3 7387-3 7668m	3.7621-3.7668m	2¾-2¼ pf prem	6¼-6 pf prem
Lisbon	230 14-234 35e	230 62-234 36e	70-340 e disc	375-1375 e disc
Madrid	229 02-230 93p	230 34-230.93p	10 prem-25 p disc	300-455 p disc
Milan	2527 60-2547 81lr	2547 94-2547 91lr	2-3 lr disc	11-15 lr disc
Oslo	11 2701-11 3355k	11 3131-11 3355k	1-1 ore disc	3-3¾ ore disc
Paris	11 4090-11 5070f	11 4883-11 5070f	2¼-2 c prem	4¼-3¾ c prem
Stockholm	11 2983-11 3713k	11 3490-11 3713k	2¼-3¼ ore disc	8-8½ ore disc
Tokyo	305 15-307 45y	307 02-307 45y	1¾-1¼ y prem	3¾-3¼ y prem
Vienna	26.36-26.50sch	26.44-26.50sch	13¼-12¼ gro prem	38-33¾ gro prem
Zurich	3 0715-3 0981f	3.0930-3.0981f	2-1¾ c prem	5¾-5 c prem

Sterling index compared with 1975 was up 0.5 at 80.6 (day's range 80.7-80.5).

DOLLAR SPOT RATES

Ireland	1 1735-1 1750
Singapore	2 1390-2 1410
Malaysia	2 4550-2 4560
Australia	0 7045-0 7055
Canada	1 3645-1 3655
Sweden	7 9400-7 9500
Norway	7 9150-7 9250
Denmark	9 5550-9 5650
West Germany	2.6290-2 6395
Switzerland	2 1625-2 1645
Netherlands	2 9740-2 9760
France	8.0350-8 0450
Japan	214.90-215.05
Italy	1777 0-1780.0
Belgium(Comml)	53.30-53.35
Hong Kong	7 7920-7 7950
Portugal	162 00-164.00
Spain	160 80-161 10
Austria	18 47-18.50

OTHER STERLING RATES

Argentina austrail	1 1424-1 1447
Australia dollar	2.0233-2.0277
Bahrain dinar	0.5345-0.5386
Brazil cruzeiro	11709 00-11776 00
Cyprus pound	0 7920-0 8020
Finland markka	8.0600-8 1000
Greece drachma	219.00-221.00
Hong Kong dollar	11.1210-11 1350
India rupee	17 00-17.20
Iraq dinar	n.a.
Kuwait dinar (KD)	0.4195-0 4235
Malaysia dollar	3.5045-3 5084
Mexico peso	550.0-580.0
New Zealand dollar	2.4443-2 4545
Saudi Arabia riyal	5.1740-5.2140
Singapore dollar	3.0534-3.0585
South Africa rand	3.7271-3.7583
United Arab Emirates dirham	5.2030-5.2430

Rates supplied by Barclays Bank HOFEX and Extel. *Lloyds Bank International.

MONEY MARKETS AND GOLD

Period rates produced a flatter yield curve following the switch of emphasis to interest rates by the Chancellor, Mr Nigel Lawson.

The short maturities in the interbank term deposits eased by about ½, but the dates from three months outwads mostly went about 1/16 firmer. After an early flurry, mainly directed to th 12-month slot, the market became fairly quiet, and overall the volume was light.

Day-to-day money opened on 11 ⅞ – ¾ per cent, but soon came lower. Before the forecast, it had dropped to 11 ¼ – 10 ¾ per cent. Later in the morning it traded mainly at 11 ¾ – ⅝ per cent, with no further significant change until after the Bank of England had completed its operation in the discount market in the afternoon.

The rate then came down to 11 – 10 ½ per cent. After that it became volatile, falling to 10 – 9 per cent before shooting to about 15 per cent at the close.

Local authorities showed little interest.

Base Rates %
Clearing Banks 11½
Finance House 12

Discount Market Loans%
Overnight: High 11½ Low 9
Week fixed: 11⅝-11½

Treasury Bills (Discount %)
Buying: 2 months 11⅛; 3 months 11⅛
Selling: 2 months 11⅛; 3 months 11⅛

Prime Bank Bills (Discount %)
1 month 11¹⁵/₁₆-11¾; 2 months 11⅞-11¹³/₁₆
3 months 11¹³/₁₆-11⅞; 6 months 10⅞-10¾

Trade Bills (Discount %)
1 month 11¹³/₁₆; 2 months 11⅞
3 months 11¹⁵/₁₆; 6 months 11⅝

Interbank (%)
Overnight: open 11⅝-11½ close 15
1 week 11⅝-11½; 6 months 11⅞-11¾
1 month 11⅝-11⅝; 9 months 11⅝-11⅞
3 months 11⅝-11⅞; 12 months 11⅝-11½

Local Authority Deposits (%)
2 days 11¼; 7 days 11¼
1 month 11⅛; 3 months 11⅜
6 months 11¼; 12 months 10⅝

Local Authority Bonds (%)
1 month 12¼-12; 2 months 12⅛-11⅞
3 months 12-11⅝; 6 months 11⅝-11⅜
9 months 11⅝-11½; 12 months 11⅛-10⅞

Sterling CDs (%)
1 month 11⅝-11½; 3 months 11⅞-11¹³/₁₆
6 months 11¼-11⅛; 12 months 11-10⅞

Dollar CDs (%)
1 month 7 95-7.85; 3 months 8.00-7.90
6 months 8 10-8 00; 12 months 8.50-8.40

EURO-CURRENCY DEPOSITS %

Dollar	call	1 month	8-7
7 days	8-7⅝	3 months	8-7⅞
6 months	8⅛-8	Deutschmark	call 5-4
7 days	4¾-4⅝	1 month	4⅝-4½
3 months	4¹³/₁₆-4¹¹/₁₆	6 months	4⅝-4¹¹/₁₆
French Franc	call 10-9	7 days	9⅝-9½
1 month	9⅝-9½	3 months	10-9⅞
6 months	10⅛-10	Swiss Franc	call 2-1
7 days	1⅝-1½	1 month	4¹/₁₆-4
3 months	4⅛-4	6 months	4⅛-4
Yen	call 5½-5	7 days	6¹/₁₆-6
1 month	6¹/₁₆-5⅞	3 months	6⅛-5⅞
6 months	6⅛-5⅞		

GOLD

Krugerrand* (per coin): $332.00-333.50 (£232.25-233.50)
Sovereigns* (new): $78.25-79.25 (£54.75-55.50)
*Excludes VAT

ECGD

Fixed Rate Sterling Export Finance Scheme IV
Average reference rate for interest period 4 September 1985 to 1 October, 1985, inclusive: 11.597 per cent.

TREASURY BILL TENDER

Applications: £339.650m allotted £100m
Bids at: £97.23% received 41%
Last week: £97.245% received 24%
Average rate: £11.0982% Last week: £11.0141%
Next week: £100m replace £100m

WALL STREET

New York (Reuter) – Wall Street pushed higher at mid-morning yesterday, helped by takeover rumours.

The Dow Jones industrial average was up 1.57 points at 1,370.86, improving on Thursday's record close.

Union Carbide led the active issues, up 4⅞ to 61¾ on 1.07 million shares. The stock was moved by rumours, that a leveraged buyout plan was being prepared.

Litton Industries was up 8¾ to 86¾ despite a statement from General Electric that it has not discussed an acquisition with Litton.

	Oct 17	Oct 16		Oct 17	Oct 16		Oct 17	Oct 16
AMF Inc	13⅞	13⅞	Exxon Corp	53⅝	54	Pfizer	44⅞	46
AMR	39⅝	40⅛	Fed Dept Stores	62½	61½	Phelps Dodge	20⅞	21⅛
Allied Signal	44	44⅜	Firestone	17⅞	18	Philip Morris	75⅞	78
Allied Stores	56⅜	56⅝	Fst Chicago	23⅛	23½	Phillips Petrol	12⅝	12⅝
Alta Chalmers	3⅝	4	Fst Interst Bncp	50⅜	49⅝	Polaroid	36⅝	37⅝
Alcoa	31⅞	32	Fst Penn Corp	6⅛	6⅛	PPG Ind	45⅞	45⅞
Amax Inc	12¾	12⅝	Ford	47⅛	46⅞	Procter Gamble	58⅝	56⅞
Amerada Hess	26⅝	28½	GAF Corp	37½	37⅛	Pub Ser El & Gas	27⅛	27⅛
Am Brands	47¼	47⅝	GTE Corp	38⅝	39⅛	Raytheon	48⅛	48⅛
Am Broadcast	116⅛	116⅝	Gen Corp	50⅛	49⅞	RCA Corp	44⅝	45
Am Can	56⅝	55⅛	Gen Dynamics	67⅛	66½	Reynolds Ind	26	26⅛
Am Cyanamid	50	50⅜	Gen Electric	60⅝	62	Reynolds Metal	32⅝	33⅛
Am Elec Power	21½	22⅛	Gen Foods	119½	118⅝	Rockwell Int	35	35⅛
Am Express	43⅛	43⅞	Gen Mills	64	64½	Royal Dutch	64½	64⅝
Am Home	59⅝	59⅞	Gen Motors	69½	69⅝	Safeways	34⅛	34
Am Hospital	47⅝	47⅝	Gen Pub Util NY	14⅞	15	Sans Law	45⅛	45⅛
Am Motors	3	2⅞	Genesco	3⅛	3⅛	SFE Sopac	32⅝	33⅛
Am Standard	30⅛	30⅞	Georgia Pacific	21⅛	20⅞	SCM	72⅛	72⅛
Am Telephone	21	21⅛	Gillette	65⅛	66⅛	Schlumberger	33⅝	34⅛
Amoco	68	68⅛	Goodrich	31⅛	30⅝	Scott Paper	45⅞	43⅞
Armco Steel	8⅝	8⅝	Goodyear	28⅛	28⅝	Seagram	41⅛	41⅝
Asarco	17	17⅛	Gould Inc	33⅝	34	Sears Roebuck	34	33⅞
Ashland Oil	34⅝	33⅝	Grace	37⅝	38⅛	Shell Trans	40	40
Atlntic Richfield	64⅞	64⅝	Gt Attic & Pacific	15⅞	15⅛	Singer	34⅛	35⅛
Avon Products	27	26⅞	Greyhound	28⅞	28⅝	Smithkline Beck	66⅛	66⅛
Bankers Tst NY	65	64⅝	Grumman Corp	31⅛	31⅛	Sony	17⅛	17⅛
Bankamerica	13⅞	14⅛	Gulf & West	43⅝	44⅛	Std Cal Edison	24	24
Bank of Boston	49⅛	48	Heinz H. J.	28⅛	28⅝	Sperry Corp	47⅛	48⅝
Bank of NY	42⅞	43⅛	Hercules	37⅝	37⅛	Std Oil Ohio	47⅞	47⅝
Beatrice Foods	45⅞	44⅝	Hewlett-Pkrd	29⅛	30⅛	Sterling Drug	34⅝	34⅝
Bethlehem Steel	16⅝	16⅝	Honeywell	61½	61	Stevens J. P.	24⅝	25⅛
Boeing	45⅝	45⅛	IC Inds	34½	34⅜	Sun Comp	51⅞	51⅞
Boise Cascade	41¼	42⅛	Ingersoll	50⅜	51	Teledyne	241	237⅞
Borden	42⅛	42⅛	Inland Steel	21⅝	21½	Tenneco	37⅞	38
Borg Warner	21⅝	21⅝	IBM	128⅞	129⅝	Texaco	39⅛	38
Bristol Myers	58	58½	Int Harvester	7⅛	7	Texas East Corp	38	34⅝
BP	31⅛	31⅝	INCO	12⅛	12¼	Texas Inst	94⅛	94⅝
Burlington Ind	27⅜	27⅛	Int Paper	46	46⅛	Texas Utilities	26⅝	27
Burlington Nthn	64⅛	64⅛	Int Tel Tel	34⅜	34⅛	Textron	47⅛	45⅝
Burroughs	54⅝	54⅞	Irving Bank	37⅞	37	Travelers Corp	42⅝	42⅛
Campbell Soup	44⅛	44⅞	Jim Walter	34⅝	34⅝	TRW Inc	80⅝	81⅛
Canadian Pacific	12	12⅛	Johnson & John	46⅛	45⅝	UAL Inc	49⅝	50⅛
Caterpillar	38⅝	38⅝	Kaiser Alumin	14⅞	15	Unilever NV	109½	109½
Celanese	128⅝	128	Kerr McGee	33⅞	33⅝	Union Carbide	57⅞	56⅛
Central SW	25⅛	25⅛	Kimberly Clark	63⅝	62⅛	Un Pacific Corp	48⅝	48⅛
Champion	21⅛	21⅝	K Mart	33⅝	32⅝	United Brands	21	21
Chase Manhat	56⅞	55	Kroger	43⅝	43½	US Steel	31	31⅛
Chem Bank NY	39⅝	39⅝	L.T.V. Corp	5⅞	5⅝	Utd Technol	40⅝	39⅞
Chevron	38⅞	38⅛	Liton	77⅝	71⅛	Unocal	28⅛	28⅛
Chrysler	38⅛	37⅝	Lockheed	45⅛	44⅞	Wachovia	32⅛	31⅝
Citicorp	43⅝	42⅝	Lucky Stores	22⅛	22⅝	Warner Lambert	36⅛	36⅝
Clark Equip	30	30⅝	Manuf Hanover	37⅞	38⅛	Wells Fargo	55⅝	54⅝
Coca Cola	71⅛	71⅛	Manville Cp	8	8⅛	Westinghse Elec	38⅝	39⅝
Colgate	31⅞	32⅛	Marpco	35⅝	35⅝	Weyerhaeuser	29⅜	27
CBS	114⅝	117½	Marine Midland	35	35	Whirlpool	43⅝	43½
Columbia Gas	34⅝	33⅝	Martin Marietta	32½	32⅝	Woolworth	50⅛	50⅛
Combustion Eng	27	27⅛	Masco	32⅜	32⅝	Xerox Corp	49⅛	49⅝
Commwlth Edison	28¼	28	McDonnell	69⅝	69⅝	Zenith	17⅛	16⅞
Conc Edison	34½	34½	Mead	36½	36⅛			
Cons Nat Gas	41⅝	41⅝	Merck	114	112⅝			
Cons Power	6⅝	6⅝	Minnesota Mng	79	78⅞			
Control Data	18¼	18⅞	Mobil Oil	30⅛	30⅝			
Corning Glass	50⅝	49⅝	Monsanto	43⅝	43⅞			
CPC Intl	48⅝	48⅝	Morgan J. P.	51⅝	50⅛			
Crane	37⅛	37⅝	Motorola	33⅛	33			
Crown Zeller	40	38	NCR Corp	34½	35			
Dart & Kraft	38½	39⅛	NL Industries	13	12½			
Deere	25	25⅛	Nat Distillers	30½	30⅝			
Delta Air	39⅝	39⅝	Nat Med Ent	21½	21⅛			
Detroit Edison	15	14⅞	Nat Semicndctr	11⅝	11⅛			
Digital Equip	105⅞	107⅝	Norfolk South	58⅝	58⅛			
Disney	39⅞	39⅛	NW Bancorp	24½	23⅞			
Dow Chemical	34⅞	35⅝	Occidental Pet	33½	34½			
Dresser Ind	18⅞	19	Ogden	30½	30⅛			
Duke Power	33⅛	33½	Olin Corp	33	32⅝			
Du Pont	59⅜	59⅛	Owens-Illinois	48	48⅝			
Eastern Air	9	9	Pacific Gas Elec	17⅝	18			
Eastman Kodak	43⅞	43⅞	Pan Am	8½	8½			
Eaton Corp	54⅛	54	Penney J. C.	48⅝	47⅝			
Emerson Elect	69⅛	69	Pennzoil	46⅝	47⅛			
Evans Prod	1⅜	1⅜	Pepsico	62⅝	63⅝			

● Ex div a Asked. c Ex distribution. b Bid. k Market closed. e New issue. p Stock split. t Traded. y Unquoted.

LONDON FINANCIAL FUTURES

Three Month Sterling	Open	High	Low	Close	Est Vol
Dec 85	88.01	88.01	88.84	88.85	3545
Mar 86	88.32	88.43	88.32	88.38	712
Jun 86	88.56	88.57	88.52	88.55	220
Sep 86	88.43	88.48	88.25	88.27	20
Dec 86	88.25	88.25	88.25	88.27	1
Mar 87	NT			88.28	0
Previous day's total open interest 7595					
Three Month Eurodollar					
Dec 85	91.80	91.85	91.79	91.83	3812
Mar 85	91.46	91.51	91.45	91.50	850
Jun 86	91.13	91.18	91.12	91.16	280
Sep 86	90.79	90.84	90.79	90.83	104
Previous day's total open interest 21684					
US Treasury Bond					
Dec 85	76-14	76-28	76-12	76-25	2816
Mar 86	75-06	75-18	75-05	75-19	12
Jun 86	NT				0
Previous day's total open interest 2836					
Short Gilt					
Dec 85	98-28	98-27	98-19	98-26	1247
Mar 86	NT			98-30	0
Jun 86	NT				0
Previous day's total open interest					
Long Gilt					
Dec 85	114-03	114-12	113-28	114-03	5497
Mar 86	NT			114-05	0
Jun 86	NT				0
Sep 86	NT			113-05	0
Previous day's total open interest 4418					
FT-SE 100					
Dec 85	133.70	135.40	133.70	134.90	380
Mar 86	135.45	135.90	135.45	135.90	10
Previous day's total open interest 1376					

INVESTMENT TRUSTS

1985 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Cross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
101	87	Alliss	92		2.6	3.8	..
695	590	Alliance	695	+2	26.1b	4.5	..
155	115	Amer Trust	134	+1	4.5	3.5	..
302	245	Ang Amer Sec	297	+1	8.1	3.0	..
145	123	Askdown	135		4.25b	3.5	..
120	88	Atlantic Assets	107	+1	0.8	0.7	..
102	93	Bankers	91		3.5b	3.8	..
194	152	Berry	180		1.4b	0.8	..
178	152	Border & Sthrn	165	+2	9.7	5.9	..
215	190	Br Assets	212		9.9b	4.7	..
31⅛	25	Br Empire Sec	30½		1.3	4.2	..
373	312	British Inv	365		20.3	5.7	..
75	64	Brunner	75	+1	2.1b	4.2	..
89	72	Charter Agency	80		3.2b	4.0	..
685	525	Continental	618		28.5	4.7	..
176	119	Crescent Japan	137	+1	1.1	0.8	..
485	365	Data	388		..	..	..
112	97	Derby Inv	110		10.9	9.8	..
112	95	Do Cap	112		..	..	..
305	264	Drayton Cons	305	+4	12.4b	4.4	..
148	112	Drayton Far East	132		1.6	1.2	..
420	342	Drayton Japan	408	+2	3.8b	0.9	..
430	353	Drayton Premier	430	+4	20.7b	4.8	..
183	160	Dundee Lon	171		7.4b	4.3	..
115	88	Edin Amer Asset	100		0.8	0.8	..
117	100	Edinburgh	112	+1	4.6b	4.1	..
292	254	Electric Gen	278		5.1	1.9	..
127	114	English Int	123	+1	5.6	4.1	..
78	65	English Scot	73		1.9	2.5	..
109½	95	English NY	105	+1	3.6	3.4	..
97	78	F & C Alliance	91	-1	2.4	2.6	..
165	122	F&C Pacific	134		1.8b	1.3	..
228	188	Fleming	223		11.3b	5.1	..
279	242	First Scot Amer	264	+3	12.9b	4.9	..
185	110	First Ulr Gen	110		8.7	7.9	..
590	415	Fleming American	448	+1	7.5	1.7	..
290	235	Fleming Claver	271	+1	12.8	4.7	..
273	205	Fleming Enterprise	273		12.1	4.4	..
109	76	Fleming Far East	80½	-2½	1.4	1.8	..
118	100	Fleming Fledgling	104		3.8	3.6	..
580	405	Fleming Japan	486	+6	6.7	1.3	..
129	105	Fleming Mercantile	117½		4.3	3.7	..
134	100	Fleming Overseas	108	-2	3.9	3.6	..
153	120	Fleming Tech	127		3.3	2.6	..
324	269	Fleming Universal	280	-2	7.1	2.5	..
74	59	For Col	64½		2.8b	3.1	..
121	88	GBC Capital	88		..	..	..
185	115	GT Japan	138	+	2.0	1.5	..
128	97	General Funds	123		2.7	2.1	..
287	230	General Cons	258	+2	14.2b	5.5	..
125	105½	Glasgow Stock	115	+3	2.9b	2.5	..
288	251	Globe	287	+4	14.1	4.9	..

1985 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Cross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
248	202	Granville	246	-2	2.3	0.9	..
276	230	Greenwell Montagu	240		6.3	2.6	..
184	138	Hambros	157		8.0	5.1	..
257	226	Hill (P)	255	+2	13.8	5.4	..
160	146	Investors Success	160	+2	7.8	4.8	..
265	208	Ivory Cap	258	+3	5.2b	2.0	..
62	48½	Japan Assets	48		0.1	0.1	..
161½	157	Lake View	143	-1	3.3	2.3	..
191	166	Law Debenture	178		8.6b	4.8	..
88	68	Lon Merchant Sec	83		3.1	3.8	..
89	68	Lon Trust	75		6.1	8.1	..
89	68	Merchants	88	+1	5.4b	6.1	..
148	133	Monks	148		5.4b	3.6	..
122	106	Murray Income	122	+1	7.7	6.3	..
117	85	Murray Growth	117		2.0	1.7	..
134	112	Murray Intl	130		6.4b	4.9	..
160	143	Murray Scott	160		9.7	6.0	..
282	256	Murray Ventors	268	+	7.9b	2.7	..
369	354	New Court	372	+1	20.4	5.5	..
77	61	New Darien Cit	68		0.5	0.7	..
178	153	1823	161		5.7	3.1	..
48	37	Northrop Inc 85	48	+½	3.8b	8.0	..
245	157	New Tokyo	169		1.4e	0.7	..
334	248	Nth Atlantic Sec	269		4.8	1.7	..
123	88	Nth Sea Assets	90		9.7	9.9	..
283	227	Nthn Assoc	260	+½	7.7b	2.9	..
139	128	Outwich	135	+1	4.5	3.2	..
101	91	Pacific Assets	91		..	..	..
43	33	Do Warrts	34		..	..	..
48	32	Personal Assets	39		0.3	0.7	..
340	282	Raeburn	317		14.1b	4.4	..
138	125	River & Merc	138	+	7.9b	5.7	..
236	186	River Plate	217	+	10.7	4.9	..
192	168	Robeco	180	-1	..	..	..
171	150	Rolinco	165		6.8b	3.9	..
257	228	Romney	240		..	..	..
11½	10	Roxmill	11	-½	0.6	5.2	..
113	96	St Andrews	112	+	4.6	4.1	..
283	235	Scottish	265	+2	7.8	2.7	..
256	211	Scot American	255	+1	8.4	3.3	..
85	73	Scot Eastern	85	+1	2.9b	3.4	..
408	345	Scot Mtge	388	+1	10.7b	2.8	..
343	304	Scot Mot	338	+4	9.4b	2.8	..
185	119	Scot Nthn	163	-1	5.4	3.3	..
388	354½	Scot Merc 'A'	388		20.0	5.4	..
288	260	Second Alliance	284		23.3	4.9	..
188	160	Sec Of Scotland	188		3.7b	4.6	..
123	108	Smaller Cos	123		2.4	3.7	..
85	61	Scottish Cptl	85	+1	2.4	3.7	..
57	32	Stewart Ehlerp	57	+	0.5	1.5	..
38	32	Stockholders	38		1.2	3.5	..
148	110	Throgmorton	119		3.6	3.0	..
100	78	Tr Australia	88		2.9	3.3	..

1985 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Cross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
94	76	Tr City Of Lon Dld	84	+½	5.8b	6.5	..
155	137	Tr Ind & Gen	151	+1	8.0	5.3	..
205	205	Tr Natural Res	214	..	12.7	5.9	..
111	79	Tr North America	85	..	2.5	2.9	..
148½	103	Tr Pacific Basin	120	+1	1.4b	1.2	..
149	123	Tr Property	149	+1	5.1	3.4	..
101	79	Tr Tech	84	..	2.5	2.9	..
158	134	Tr Trustees	139	+	5.4b	3.9	..
139	111	Temple Bar	139	..	7.1b	5.5	..
250	211	Throgmorton	237	+1	10.7b	4.5	..
266	248	Throg Secured Cap	266	..	..	..	..
197	137	Trans Oceanic	147	..	4.8b	3.3	..
129	103	Triburie	108	+	3.3	3.0	..
82½	74	Triplevest Inc	79½	+	14.7	18.5	..
216	186	US Debenture	207	..	9.3b	4.5	..
92	82	Viking Resource	83	-½	1.8	2.5	..
93	81	Wagpool	85	..	2.2	2.5	..
115	84	Wimbledon Energy	88	+1	1.8b	1.1	..
156	139	Witan	153	+1	3.9	2.6	..
284	258	Yeoman	278	+	13.6b	4.9	..

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445	280	Abroyd & Smithers	445	+5	..	..	17.3
57½	29½	American Express	230½	+	..	..	..
43	19	Angle	37		..	..	18.9
94	82	Bankhead	92	-2	3.7	2.8	21.2
137	88	Britannia Arrow	131	-2	3.7	2.8	21.2
18	8¾	Daily Mail	214½	..	60.0	4.1	16.5
14½	8¾	Do 'A'	214½	..	60.0	4.2	15.3
138	115	Electra	138	+2	5.3	4.0	33.6
101	73	Eng Assoc	96	+	3.9	4.1	13.2
248	178	Exco	232	+	8.5	3.7	15.2
255	211	Exploration	228	+	3.5	1.5	11.2
850	700	Framlington	728	..	14.3	2.0	16.7
96	58	Frost Gp	96	-2	..	..	..
305	24	Goode (D & M)	300	..	1.9	1.0	16.7
340	282	Henderson Admin	320	+	22.9	2.5	13.2
820	586	M & G	780	+5	19.5	2.5	31.0
289	277	Mercantile House	242	..	18.6	7.7	8.8
405	300	Mills & Allen	395	+	22.9	7.8	8.5
110	78	Peptlo Inv Tst	92	..	..	..	..
41	28	Do Warrants	21	..	..	..	..
159	93	Smith Brothers	157	-1	8.8	5.5	18.2

COMMODITIES

LONDON COMMODITY EXCHANGE
Rubber in p per kilo; Soyabean meal, coffee and cocoa in £ per tonne; Gas-oil and sugar in US $ per tonne.
G W Joynson and Co report

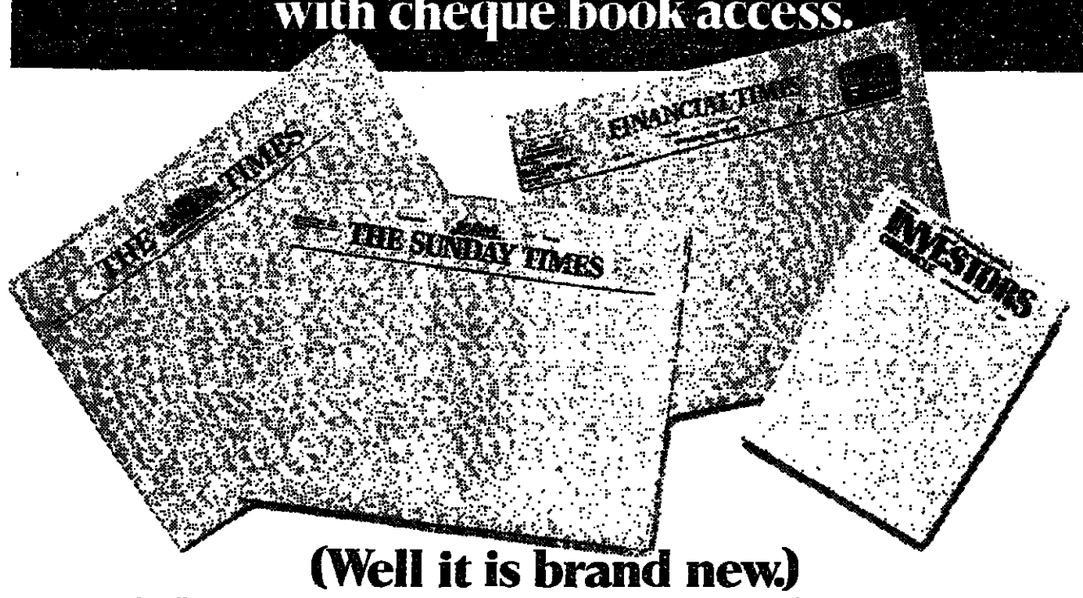
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Nov 590
Dec 600
Jan Unq.
Feb Unq.
Mar Unq.
Apr Unq.
May Unq.
Jun Unq.
Jul Unq.
Jan/Mar Unq.
Apr/Jun Unq.
Jul/Sep Unq.
Vol Nil

SUGAR
No. 5
Dec Unq.
Mar Unq.
May Unq.
Aug Unq.
Oct Unq.
Dec Unq.
Mar Unq.
Vol Nil

SUGAR (Raw) No. 6
Dec 138.0-37.8
Mar 146.4-46.2
May 150.2-50.0
Aug 156.0-55.8
Oct 162.1-61.0
Dec Unq.
Vol 1,178

COCOA
Dec 1,706-05
Mar 1,752-51
May 1,783-80
July 1,805-04
Sep 1,820-15
Dec 1,802-00
Mar 1,

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Equitable Life breaks with tradition on family income protection

Scoring a century in cash

INSURANCE

A novel family income protection policy has been launched by Equitable Life that puts traditional family income benefit policies in the shade.

With both the traditional policies and Equitable's Life that puts traditional family income benefit policies in the shade.

With both the traditional policies and Equitable's long-term income for widow or widower you elect to pay premiums for a set number of years - say 10, 20 or 30. If you die during this period a traditional policy will provide an income for your spouse for the remaining years of the original policy.

But the new policy from Equitable Life will provide an income until the spouse is 100 years old.

The new policy is more expensive than the more limited kind, but perhaps it is a better bet. Mark Daniels of Equitable Life, said: "Traditional family income benefit is tailored to cover the period when children are dependent. But it does not provide for the long term. As we see it the new policy provides long-term protection for the spouse. It should rank in front of pension provision."

The policy is open only to the self-employed or those in non-pensionable employment. As it comes within the pensions legislation the premiums are tax-deductible and the benefits – if they become payable - are tax-free in the hands of the survivor.



Value for people with much younger spouses

With a traditional policy you pay level premiums over the term of the policy, but these premiums are buying you diminishing cover, as the company's liability to pay out stops in all cases at the end of the payment period.

Many companies organize the policy so that there is a premium "holiday" in the last three, four or five years. Otherwise policyholders may well just stop paying the premiums because they are buying so little. But, of course, the "holiday" just means that the premiums in the earlier years are loaded.

In practice, inertia carries policyholders forward and the premiums are usually paid right up until the end of the policy even though the last year's premium offers the prospect of less than a year's income should the policyholder die within the year.

Equitable Life's long-term income policy is particularly good value for the man with a much younger wife – or the woman with a much younger husband - because the premiums are related only to the age of the policyholder, not his or her spouse. So however old the remaining partner is when the policy starts paying out, the payments will continue until he or she reaches 100.

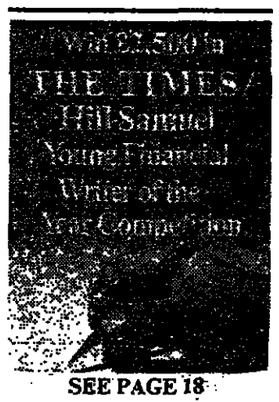
This is one of the reasons why the policy is confined to spouses as dependants. "We wanted to keep the premium rates simple. We are not taking account of the age of the spouse, but if the dependant could be anybody, a grandchild even, then we would run into all sorts of problems," Mr Daniels said.

The policy is framed to pay benefits until the recipient is 100 because in order to ensure that the payments are tax-free the income has to be deemed a repayment of capital rather than an annuity payable until death.

When the beneficiary dies the remaining payments are paid into his or her estate.

And in the unlikely event that the widow or widower looks set to outlive the payments and collect a telegram from the Queen, Equitable Life says it would come to some arrangement to commute the remaining payments during the last few years to an annuity so that the cash flow does not suddenly halt.

The new long-term income for widow or widower policy costs about twice as much as a conventional family income benefit policy. For instance, a self-employed man of 24 taking out a policy for 40 years to provide £8,000 a year for his widow, would pay £9.88 a month gross – £6.92 net for a 30 per cent tax payer – for a conventional policy with Equitable Life which would stop payments at the end of the 40-year period of cover.



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As time goes by the more expensive option looks increasingly better value, although if you outlive the period of cover, which cannot go beyond your 75th birthday, you kiss goodbye to twice as much in premiums. But anyone looking for real security for an ageing widow or widower might consider it a reasonable gamble.

It is a way of buying a lot of life cover in the early years and perhaps it offers more security than a whole life policy which pays out a lump sum that could always be frittered away or invested unwisely rather than used to buy an annuity.

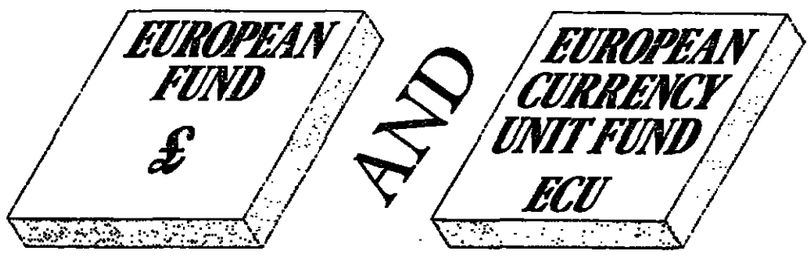
One drawback is that if the policyholder becomes ineligible because he or she takes up pensionable employment, or does not have enough net relevant earnings to cover the premiums, then the policy is cancelled and there is no refund.

But Equitable Life said it will offer a comparable policy suitable for an employed person, without evidence of good health.

Vivien Goldsmith

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The launch of Capital Strategy Fund in May 1984 provided investors with an exciting new investment alternative. In place of the high charges and time consuming administration normally associated with switching funds around the world, the Fund offers investors exceptional flexibility and access to a wide range of equity, currency and specialist sub-funds – either growth or income orientated – all under a single umbrella. Performance of the Fund in the sixteen months since launch has been outstanding. Now the Managers have added two new sub-funds – a European Currency Unit Fund and a European Fund.

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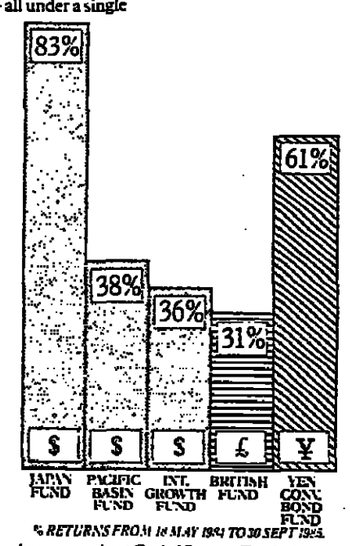
• **FLEXIBILITY**
Investors may switch their capital between all these 15 sub-funds simply by a telephone or telex instruction, without stamp duty, Capital Gains Tax and normally without dealing charges. Shares in the Fund are traded at a single price based on net asset value – there is no bid to offer spread.

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• **PERFORMANCE**
Performance since launch has been outstanding. The diagram illustrates the investment returns achieved by the Managers of the 5 best performing sub-funds over the period from launch to 30th September 1985.



% RETURNS FROM 1st MAY 1984 TO 30 SEPT 1985.

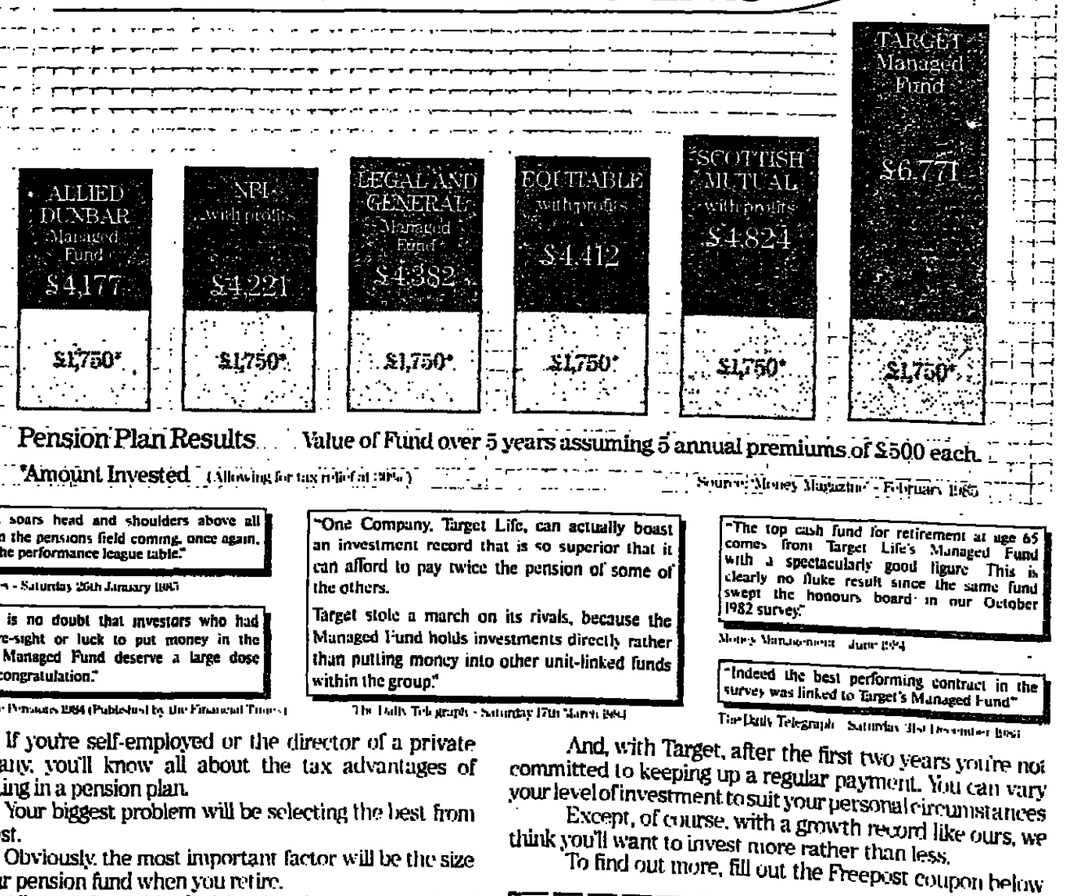
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The Times - Saturday 26th January 1985

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Executive Pensions 1984 (Published by the Financial Times)

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The Daily Telegraph - Saturday 17th March 1984

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The Daily Telegraph - Saturday 31st December 1983

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The table above compares the actual results of an investment in the Target Personal Pension Plan – linked to the Target Managed Pension Fund – with three leading with profits policies and two other unit linked plans invested in managed funds.

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Mortgage rate cuts bring the banks into line

A round of mortgage interest rate cutting by the high street banks has brought them all more or less into line at 13 per cent. Only TSB is charging more at 13.25 but this includes "free" life assurance. The cheapest bank home loans are on offer from the United Bank of Kuwait which will lend at 12.5 per cent provided you are prepared to borrow a minimum of £30,000.

The Chemical Bank and Citibank both offer home loans at 12.75 – very competitive rates.

Franchising moves into big money

Franchising with its connotations of chicken and chips, has never been as popular in Britain as in the United States where the idea originated. But in recent years the franchise has begun to take off here with a turnover of £1,000 million, estimated to rise to £5,000 million during the next five years.

The latest booklet from the Institute of Chartered Accountants gives detailed information on all aspects of franchising with an aim to helping prospective franchisees identify the key areas to investigate before making an investment.

Copies of the book, *Franchising for Profit*, are available, £6.95, from the Institute of Chartered Accountants, Gloucester House, 399 Silbury Boulevard, Witan Gate East, Central Milton Keynes, MK9 2HL.

Professional trust

It cannot be said often enough that you take your life savings in your hands if you are prepared to entrust it to someone with no qualifications. Always ask whether your financial adviser is a licensed dealer in securities and a member of NASDIM (The National Association of Securities Dealers and Investment Managers) or is a registered insurance broker; or better still a member of BIBA (The British Insurance Brokers Association). He or she might, of course, be a stockbroker or an accountant.

But if you are looking for an insurance broker who is also a member of BIBA get hold of the latest members' list, just published. It is compiled on a geographical basis, so it is easy to find a broker in your area. Copies of the directory are available from BIBA, BIBA House, 14 Bevis Marks, London EC3A 7NT (01-623 9043).

Double-jobbing

Unemployment may be running at record levels but about 3 per cent of those employed have more than one job, according to research carried out by the Manpower Services Commission. "Double jobbing", as the commission describes it, is most common among those between 35 and 49, although for women the highest rate is among those between 25 and 34. The rates are relatively low among 16 to 24-year-olds and those approaching retirement age.

Two-thirds of those with two jobs work less than 10 hours a week in their second job, while less than 5 per cent work more than 30 hours. Self-employment is popular as a second job with 35 per cent of second jobs coming into this category.



Free chips at school

Free computer packs are being offered to more than 500 schools which run Midland School Banks. The program is compatible with the BBC microcomputer, used by most schools. Midland launched its School Banks Scheme in 1983 with the aim of introducing secondary school children to banking.

The schools received a floppy disc which can store and handle information for up to 256 accounts and a manual covering the operation of the program in great detail, including general advice for the inexperienced. The aim is to encourage school children to open an account with the Midland.

Amex lures graduates

Out to catch the graduate market, American Express is giving away a free booklet, *The Graduates' Guide to Success*, to all those who write for a copy. It covers career choices, finding a place to live, travel and leisure and personal finances.

The operation is designed to tap the lucrative graduate market and contains an application form for an American Express card – but the booklet is free. Write for copies to Rosemary Finegan, American Express, Portland House, Stag Place, London SW1E 5BZ.

The right number

Owing to a printing error, the telephone number of the company sponsoring the Business Expansion Scheme, Fine Country Homes, published in last Saturday's Family Money, was incorrect. Readers who want a Fine Country Homes prospectus should ring Anthony Weller on 01-377 1010.

On the attack

Britain's self-employed aim to create at least 750,000 new jobs, according to a survey carried out on behalf of Insurers, Legal & General. But six out of 10 are critical of the Government, saying it has done little to help them make a success of their business. The biggest complaint was that the Government has made the paperwork more onerous and many called for reform of taxes, National Insurance, rates and VAT.

The report shows that, on average, the self-employed work a 55-hour week compared with the more usual 35-hour week by the employed. But three-quarters would not go back to working for someone else, even if the job and the money match their current earnings.

Copies of the *Self-Employed Report* are available free from Legal & General, Grosvenor House, 125 High Street, Croydon, CR9 3AU (01-200 0200).

Lloyd's compromise

Members of Lloyd's breathed a sigh of relief this week when the Inland Revenue finally agreed to a one-off settlement for unpaid tax. The 300 Lloyd's underwriting agents who manage the affairs of Lloyd's members have agreed to a settlement of £42.5 million in return for which the Revenue will drop the investigation that had been under way into the affairs of Lloyd's. The Inland Revenue's investigations followed revelations that some members had been involved in tax evasion on a grand scale.

But even if you are honest, the tax treatment of your income as Lloyd's member can be a headache. Anyone contemplating becoming a member should get hold of the latest edition of *Taxation of Lloyd's Underwriters*, produced by accountants, Spicer and Pegler. An extended section in the book covers the Inland Revenue investigations at Lloyd's.

Copies of the booklet are available from Spicer and Pegler, Friary Court, 65 Crutched Friars, London EC3N 2NP (01-480 7766).

Index-linked theft

Shoplifting is on the increase according to a report on retail security produced by *market researchers*, Mintel, and shoplifters are stealing more valuable goods. Thefts recorded by the police are now running at 260,000 for 1985, and although the value of articles stolen has increased with inflation, the trend is towards *greater concentration* on higher-priced items. Average recorded theft was valued at £36 in 1983 compared with £19 in 1979. Total value of recorded thefts in 1983 was more than £8 million.

According to Mintel's research more than half the shoplifters are under 21 and only 4 per cent fall into the traditional image of shoplifters, the elderly lady who is emotionally disturbed.



Flexible pensions scheme for the boss

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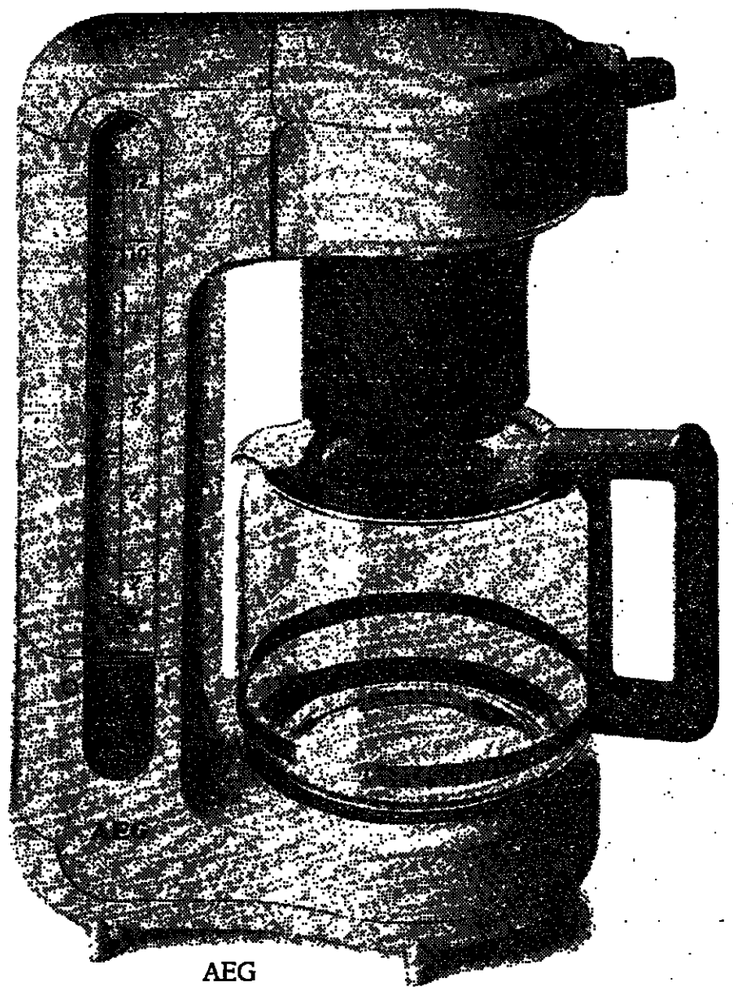
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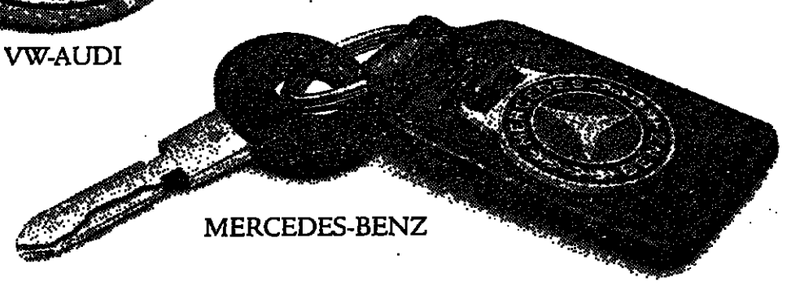
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Tax perks on wheels

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It is often said that a car is the second most expensive asset acquired by an individual, second only to buying a home. But in Britain, car users who own the car they drive are in the minority. An estimated 50 per cent or more of cars on the road and more than two-thirds of new car registrations are company cars.

This is due to the effectiveness of company cars and the status that is perceived from driving a new car.

Although company cars have been the subject of considerable political attention in recent years there is little doubt that a car is still an attractive and tax-efficient feature of any remuneration package.

Until recently the impetus in the company car market has come from employees seeking either tax-efficient remuneration or increased status, or both.

But after the abolition of the upper earnings limit for employers' National Insurance contributions, effective from October 6 – the so-called October Revolution – a new factor has entered the equation. By providing a company car rather than paying an equivalent amount of salary, employers can avoid the 10.45 per cent National Insurance contributions that would otherwise be payable.

As a result, the provision of a company car is now attractive to both employees and employers on tax grounds. But from an employer's point of view it should not be forgotten that the introduction of a company car scheme may prove to be a substantial financial and administrative burden. It may even be necessary to employ a fleet manager to co-ordinate the purchase, sale and maintenance of the car fleet.

The provision of company cars to selected employees may also lead to dissatisfaction among those employees who have not been given cars or who have been given less prestigious models. The sight of rows of company cars in the company car park may emphasize the distinctions between management and the workforce and may antagonize employee relations.

Advantages for the employer too

To appreciate the attractiveness of a company car it is necessary to understand the tax treatment. Employees – other than those earning less than £8,500 a year – who are allowed the private use of a company car are assessed to tax on the value of the benefit they are deemed to receive.

The amount of this deemed benefit is determined by reference to a fixed scale that is set annually in the Budget. There is an additional income tax charge where the employee is also provided with petrol or other fuel for private mileage.

The fixed scales are known as the car scale benefit and the fuel scale benefit and the 1985-86 scales are set out in the table.

The amount of the scale benefit depends on the car's cylinder capacity and age. The level of business use is also relevant. Where an employee's business mileage reaches an annual rate of 18,000 miles, the amounts of car and fuel benefits assessed to tax are halved.

Where an employee's business mileage is at an annual rate of 2,500 miles or less, the amount of the car scale benefit assessed to tax is increased by a half. The fuel benefit, however, is not increased.

A simple example will show why company cars are so attractive. Suppose Charles is provided with a 1.8 litre company car in which he does no business mileage. He drives about 10,000 miles of private motoring, all of which is paid for by his employer.

Charles will be assessed to income tax on a car scale benefit of £787. Because of insufficient business mileage, the scale benefit of £525 is increased by one half. He will also be taxed on the fuel scale benefit of £525. Charles will therefore pay tax on £1,312 which, assuming he is a basic rate taxpayer, will amount to £393.60.

But what is the car really worth to him? The RAC produces tables every year which set out estimated standing and running costs. On these figures Charles would have to find a total of £4,129 out of his post-tax income if he were to own the car himself.

As Charles is a basic rate taxpayer he would need to receive additional salary of £5,899 in order to get net salary of £4,129. Tax on the additional salary of £5,770.

There are also advantages for the employer. National Insurance contributions on the additional salary of £5,899 would be £616.44 whereas there would be no liability on the provision of a car.

One final word of warning! If Charles accepts a reduction of salary in return of a car, the Inland Revenue will seek to tax him on the amount of salary he has sacrificed rather than on the fixed scale benefit.

EMPLOYEES' CAR BENEFIT 1985/86

	Car scale benefit Cars aged under four years at end of tax year	Car scale benefit Cars aged four or more at end of tax year	Fuel scale benefit
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He or she will not be able to tackle any current problems. He will be able to adjudicate only on disputes which either begin after the appointment or come to light after that.

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Dame Mary: Chairing

Rachael Waterhouse, chairman of the National Consumer Council's banking services working party, has been appointed to the council which is to be chaired by Dame Mary Donaldson. The other members are Sir Alastair Burnet, associate editor of ITN news, Bill Sirs, former general secretary of the Iron and Steel Trades Confederation, and from the banks, Peter Hargreaves of the Midland, Alastair Boyd of the TSB and Alastair Reid of the Royal Bank of Scotland.

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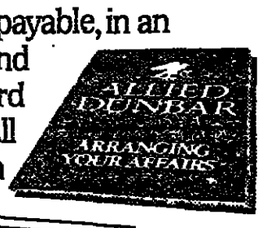
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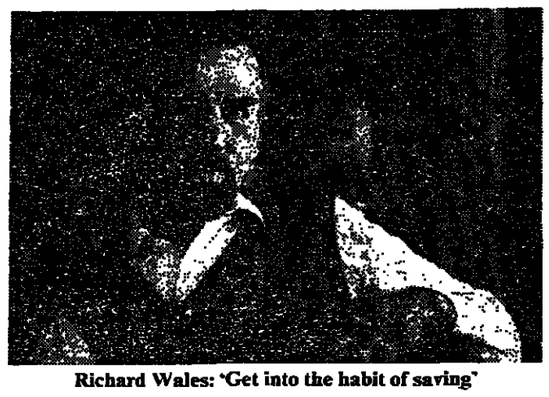
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Richard Wales: 'Get into the habit of saving'

Early advice is best

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"House purchase is very important to people who are just starting work, particularly in London where there is such a shortage of suitable rental accommodation.

"It is often cheaper for young people to buy a flat than to pour money down the drain renting. In this situation they are going to need good advice."

So what is Mr Wales's advice to those starting work for the first time? "Get into the habit of savings as early as possible. Deciding where to invest is becoming increasingly difficult – for example, there are nearly 800 unit trusts alone to choose from. Find out as much as you can about money."

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A copy of this Prospectus, having attached thereto the documents specified herein, has been delivered to the Registrar of Companies in England and Wales for registration.

This Prospectus does not constitute an offer of any shares for subscription after 5.00 pm on 5th November 1985.

The Directors of Framlington Managed Portfolio Limited (the "Company"), whose names appear below, are the persons responsible for the information contained in this Prospectus. To the best of the knowledge and belief of the Directors (who have taken all reasonable care to ensure that such is the case) the information contained in this Prospectus is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the import of such information. The Directors accept responsibility accordingly.

Application has been made to the Council of The Stock Exchange, London ("The Stock Exchange") for the Participating Redeemable Preference Shares of 1p each ("Shares") of the Company to be admitted to the Official List.

The Shares are offered on the basis of the information and representations contained in this Prospectus and any further information given or representations made by any person must be regarded as unauthorised.

The consents of the Advisory and Finance Committee of the States of Guernsey under the Control of Borrowing (Bailiwick of Guernsey) Ordinances 1959 to 1976, and of Her Majesty's Treasury in compliance with the Order made under Section 1 of the Borrowing (Control and Guarantees) Act 1946 have been obtained to the issue of up to 40,000,000 Shares. It must be distinctly understood that in giving these consents neither the Committee nor the Treasury takes any responsibility for the financial soundness of any schemes or for the correctness of any of the statements made or opinions expressed with regard to them.

This Prospectus does not constitute an offer or solicitation to anyone in any jurisdiction in which such an offer or solicitation is not authorised or to any person to whom it is unlawful to make such an offer or solicitation. No person may treat this Prospectus as constituting an invitation to him unless in the relevant territory such an invitation could lawfully be made to him without compliance with any registration or other legal requirements. It is the responsibility of any person outside the United Kingdom wishing to make an application hereunder to satisfy himself as to full observance of the laws of the relevant territory in connection therewith.

This Prospectus does not constitute an invitation or offer to any person resident in the Bailiwick of Guernsey, and no such person (other than the Manager) shall be or become an owner of any Shares or be entitled to take any benefit in any Shares whether directly or indirectly.

All references to "Sterling", "£", "penny" and "p" are to the currency of the United Kingdom.

PROSPECTUS

FRAMLINGTON MANAGED PORTFOLIO LIMITED

(An investment company incorporated with limited liability in Guernsey on 3rd October 1985 under the Companies (Guernsey) Laws 1908 to 1973 – No. 14582)

STRUCTURE

The Company is an open-ended investment company incorporated in Guernsey. It will operate in a similar way to a unit trust by issuing and redeeming Shares at offer and bid prices based on their underlying net asset value.

SHARE CAPITAL

The authorised share capital of the Company is £400,100 divided into 100 Management Shares of £1 each and 40,000,000 Unclassified Shares of 1p each.

For the purposes of satisfying applications for subscription, Unclassified Shares will be issued as Participating Redeemable Preference Shares of 1p each ("Shares") of the Company at 50p per Share payable in full on application. Details of the share capital of the Company are set out in paragraph A of *General Information* below.

A new and simple way in which UK and overseas investors may invest in a managed portfolio of Framlington unit trusts.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Applications must be made on the form attached to this Prospectus and sent to Framlington Overseas Fund Management Limited to be received not later than 5.00 pm on 5th November 1985, accompanied by a remittance for the appropriate amount. The subscription lists will open at 10.00 am on 6th November 1985 and close as soon thereafter as the Company may decide. Applications will be acknowledged within 7 days and Share certificates sent before 18th November 1985.

The minimum initial investment is £500 (1,000 Shares). Thereafter additional investment may be for any amount.

Acceptances of applications will be conditional upon the Shares being admitted to the Official List by the Council of The Stock Exchange by not later than 6th November 1985. It is expected that, once listing is granted, dealings in the Shares on The Stock Exchange will begin on 7th November 1985.

DIRECTORS
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REGISTERED OFFICE
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MANAGER
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SECRETARY, REGISTRAR AND CUSTODIAN
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AUDITORS
Deloitte Haskins & Sells, Chartered Accountants,
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STOCKBROKERS TO THE COMPANY
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LEGAL ADVISERS IN ENGLAND
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Investment policy

The Company aims to achieve maximum capital growth through investment in a managed portfolio of Framlington unit trusts. Investment may be in any of the ten authorised unit trusts currently managed by Framlington Unit Management Limited, details of which are set out in the panel, or in any additional authorised Framlington unit trust which may be launched in the future. The selection of unit trusts and the proportion of the portfolio invested in each may be altered by the Company from time to time to reflect changing market circumstances, within the overall objective of achieving maximum capital growth.

This investment policy will be adhered to for the full life of the Company.

Investment in the unit trusts selected will be in income units of each trust. If the Company considers the market climate to be appropriate, all or part of the Company's assets may be placed temporarily on cash deposit.

It is intended that the initial selection of investments will be approximately as follows:

	%
International Growth Fund	25
Capital Trust	20
American & General Fund	20
Japan & General Fund	15
Recovery Trust	10
American Turnaround Fund	10

Investors should remember that the price of Shares and the income from them can go down as well as up.

Dividend policy

It is intended that all income, net of expenses, will be distributed in Sterling to shareholders so that the Company should qualify for distributor status under the UK Finance Act 1984.

There will be one distribution of income each year, on or about 15th November. Since the aim of the Company is capital growth rather than income, dividends are not likely to be large. The estimated annual yield, based on the initial offer price, is 0.6 per cent.

Shareholders may elect to have dividends reinvested in further Shares by completing a mandate accordingly. Such mandates are available from the Manager on request.

Charges

The Manager will receive an initial charge of 5 per cent of the amount payable in respect of each Share issued or purchased. So as to avoid double charging in respect of the initial charge, units in the underlying Framlington unit trusts will be bought free of the 5 per cent initial charge normally payable to the managers of the unit trusts and included in the price of the units.

There is a monthly management fee payable by the Company to the Manager of 1/12th of 0.5 per cent of the net assets of the Company as at the last valuation day of each month (subject to a minimum of £1,000 per month). In addition, the managers of the Framlington unit trusts in which the Company will invest receive annual management fees which are currently 0.75 per cent or 1 per cent (plus VAT) of the funds invested in those trusts.

Roundings

After the initial issue of Shares the offer price of Shares issued will be rounded up and the bid price of Shares redeemed will be rounded down to the nearest one-tenth of one penny. Any benefit from these roundings will be retained by the Manager.

Directors

Mr. W. R. Stuttaford, aged 56, is Chairman of the Company, Chairman of Framlington Group plc, and Chairman of Framlington Unit Management Limited which manages the unit trusts in which the Company may invest. He has been a member of The Stock Exchange since 1960 and has had over 25 years experience of investment management.

Mr. J. G. J. Evett, aged 53, has been Managing Director of Barfield Bank & Trust Co. Limited since 1979 and has been engaged in the provision of banking services since 1949.

Mr. P. P. Walsh, aged 39, has been a Director of Barfield Bank & Trust Co. Limited since 1981 and has been engaged in the provision of offshore financial services since 1968.

It is intended that the post of Chairman of the Company will always be filled by an executive Director of Framlington Unit Management Limited.

Management and administration

Framlington Overseas Fund Management Limited ("the Manager") has been appointed to manage the business of the Company subject to the control of the Directors.

The Manager is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Framlington Group plc. The Directors of the Manager are Mr. W. R. Stuttaford (Chairman), Mr. N. T. Carey and Mr. J. G. J. Evett. Mr. Stuttaford and Mr. Evett are also Directors of the Company.

The administration of the Company will be carried out on behalf of the Manager by Barfield Bank & Trust Co. Limited ("Barfield"). Barfield has also been appointed Secretary and Registrar of the Company and will in addition act as Bankers to the Company and Custodian of its assets. Particulars of the agreements with Barfield, with which the Framlington Group has no shareholding or management connections, are set out in paragraph H of *General Information* below.

Procedure for subscription

For the initial offer, the procedure for application is set out above. After the close of the initial offer, Shares may be subscribed for on any dealing day at the offer price prevailing when instructions are accepted and upon the terms of the then current Prospectus.

Commission of 3 per cent is payable to banks, solicitors, accountants, stockbrokers, insurance brokers, financial advisers or other approved agents.

Procedure for redemption and transfer

Shares may be redeemed on any dealing day at the bid price prevailing when instructions are accepted. The proceeds, in Sterling, will normally be sent within seven days of receipt of the relevant Share certificate with the redemption form duly completed.

Shares may be transferred by common form of transfer.

Dealing and valuation days

Dealing days are normally any days on which banks in Guernsey and The Stock Exchange in London are open for business. Valuation days are normally the business days preceding the relevant dealing days.

The Manager may if necessary temporarily suspend dealings in order to revalue Shares to take account of any changes in the value of the underlying assets or if for any reason their value cannot be ascertained.

Publication of prices

Prices will be published daily in the Offshore and Overseas funds section of the Financial Times, London.

Reports and accounts

The financial year of the Company will end on 30th September each year, commencing 30th September 1986. Copies of the audited accounts of the Company will be sent to shareholders once a year, together with a report of the progress of the Company's investments. Shareholders will also receive half yearly interim reports.

Taxation

The Company has been granted exemption from income tax in Guernsey pursuant to the Income Tax (Exempted Companies and Trusts) (Guernsey) Ordinance 1984. The Directors intend to ensure that the Company retains such exempt status. The fee payable for such exemption is currently £1,300 per annum. Guernsey does not levy taxes on capital, inheritances, capital gains, gifts, sales or turnover, nor are there any estate duties. No stamp duty is levied in Guernsey on transfer or redemption of Shares.

Shareholders who are liable to UK taxation may be liable to UK income tax or corporation tax on income in respect of dividends paid by the Company. No credit will be available by reference to the UK advance corporation tax paid by the authorised unit trusts in respect of distributions to the Company.

The Directors intend to manage the Company so that it will qualify for "distributor status" under UK tax legislation. Assuming it does so qualify, gains realised by those shareholders who are liable to UK taxation on disposals or redemptions of Shares will be treated for tax purposes as capital gains, and not as income (which would be the case if the Company did not so qualify).

The attention of individuals ordinarily resident in the UK is drawn to Section 478 of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1970 (the "Act") and Section 45 of the Finance Act 1981 which may, in certain circumstances, render them liable to UK taxation in respect of any undistributed income or profits of the Company. The Board of Inland Revenue has given clearance under Section 464 of the Act (cancellation of tax advantages from certain transactions in securities) in respect of the issue, redemption and transfer of Shares.

The above is based on the law and practice currently applying in Guernsey and the UK and is subject to change. Investors should consult their professional advisers on the possible tax consequences of buying, holding, selling or redeeming Shares under the laws of their country of citizenship, residence or domicile.

THE FRAMLINGTON UNIT TRUSTS

Since the first Framlington unit trust was authorised in 1969, the Framlington Group has built up a reputation for investment performance. Framlington Unit Management Limited, a wholly owned subsidiary of Framlington Group plc, currently manages the ten authorised unit trusts listed below. Framlington Managed Portfolio Limited may invest in any of these together with any additional authorised Framlington unit trusts which may be launched in the future.

TRUST	INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE	* GROWTH RATE
Capital Trust (launched Jan 1969)	aims to combine capital growth with an average yield by investing mainly in small UK growth companies	14.9% pa
Income Trust (launched Dec 1971)	seeks to achieve a higher than average income, together with growth of both income and capital	12.4% pa
International Growth Fund (launched Oct 1978)	is invested worldwide purely for capital growth	26.4% pa
American & General Fund (launched Apr 1978)	aims to invest for capital growth exclusively in the United States of America and Canada	19.4% pa
American Turnaround Fund (launched Oct 1979)	is invested in North American recovery situations with capital growth as the objective	23.8% pa
Extra Income Trust (launched Feb 1980)	the investment objective is similar to that of Income Trust, but aims to achieve a slightly higher yield	17.2% pa
Convertible & Gilt Trust (launched Feb 1981)	by investing in convertible loan stocks and government securities the aim is to combine high income with growth of capital	11.1% pa
Recovery Trust (launched Apr 1982)	aims for maximum capital growth by investing in recovery situations in the UK and overseas	22.0% pa
Japan & General Fund (launched Feb 1984)	seeks to achieve maximum growth of capital from investment in the Far East with the emphasis on Japan	8.3% pa
Monthly Income Fund (launched Oct 1984)	aims to achieve a yield about 50% above that of the FT All-Share Index, coupled with long-term growth of both income and capital	23.8% pa

*The Growth Rate shown is the annual average *compound* growth in the offer price from launch to 1st October 1985. It does not take any reinvestment of income into account.

The funds in bold type are those selected for initial investment by the Company, although investment may be made in any of the other funds if market circumstances are appropriate.

GENERAL INFORMATION

A. Share Capital and Rights

The authorised share capital of the Company is £400,100 divided into 100 Management Shares of £1 each and 40,000,000 Unclassified Shares of 1p each. The Unclassified Shares may be issued as Participating Redeemable Preference Shares or, when Participating Redeemable Preference Shares are redeemed, as Nominal Shares. The issued share capital of the Company at the date of this Prospectus is £100 in 100 Management Shares of £1 each, fully paid.

The Board is authorised pursuant to the Articles of Association of the Company ("the Articles") to allot the whole of the unissued share capital.

All shareholdings in the Company will be in registered form.

Management Shares. All the Management Shares (which were issued for cash at par on 11th October 1985) are beneficially owned by the Manager.

The Management Shares do not carry any right to dividends and, in a winding-up, rank only for a return of paid-up capital (after the return of capital paid up on Participating Redeemable Preference and Nominal Shares). Each holder of Management Shares is entitled, on a show of hands, to one vote, and, on a poll, to one vote for each share held. The Management Shares are not redeemable.

Participating Redeemable Preference Shares. These carry a right to all dividends approved by the Company in general meeting or declared by the Directors. Each holder of Shares is entitled, on a show of hands, to one vote, and, on a poll, to one vote for each share held. In a winding-up, each Share has a preferential right to a return of paid-up capital and a right to share in surplus assets after the return of capital paid-up on Nominal and Management Shares.

The Company has the right to redeem all outstanding Participating Redeemable Preference Shares if at any time after the fifth anniversary of the date of the Company's incorporation the value of its net assets for 26 consecutive weeks is less than £5,000,000. In addition, all Participating Redeemable Preference Shares not previously redeemed will be redeemed by the Company at the price ruling on 31st December 2085 or the next business day.

Nominal Shares. The Nominal Shares may only be issued and redeemed at par and only for the purpose of providing funds for the repayment of the nominal amount of Shares redeemed. Nominal Shares may be converted into Shares by the Manager for sale to investors. Nominal Shares carry no right to dividend. In a winding-up, they only have the right to repayment of paid-up capital in priority to repayment of capital paid-up on the Management Shares. The holder of Nominal Shares is entitled, on a show of hands, to one vote, and, on a poll, to one vote irrespective of the number of Nominal Shares held.

Variation of Shareholders' Rights. The special rights attached to any class of shares in the Company may be varied with the written consent of the holders of three-fourths of the issued shares of that class or with the sanction of a resolution passed at a separate meeting of the holders of the shares of such class by a majority of three-fourths of the votes cast at such meeting. The rights attached to the Shares shall be deemed to be varied by any variation of the rights attached to shares of any other class or by the creation or issue of any share other than Shares ranking pari passu with them as respects rights to dividend or in a winding-up or reduction of capital. Save as aforesaid, the special rights conferred on the holders of any shares issued with preferred or other special rights shall (unless otherwise expressly provided by the conditions of issue of such shares) be deemed not to be varied by the creation or issue of further shares ranking in any respect pari passu therewith.

B. Guernsey Residents and other persons subject to disqualification

The Articles provide that the allotment of Shares shall be conditional upon the applicant giving such declarations as to status, residence and otherwise as the Directors may from time to time determine and also that if it shall come to the notice of the Manager that any Shares are owned directly or beneficially by any person so as to threaten a financial or tax disadvantage to the Company the Manager may give notice to such person requiring him to transfer such Shares to a person who is qualified or entitled to own the same or to give a request in writing for the redemption of such Shares. One of the conditions attached to the grant of exemption from Guernsey Income Tax is that no Shares shall be held by Guernsey residents (other than the Manager) or by any person as nominee or trustee for Guernsey residents. The Directors have accordingly resolved that all applicants for Shares shall be required to make a declaration that they are not resident within the Bailiwick of Guernsey for Income Tax purposes and will not be holding the Shares for any person who is so resident.

C. Valuation of Net Assets

The Articles contain provisions relating to the determination of the net asset value of the Company as follows:

1. The value of the net assets shall be determined by the Directors as at each valuation day and on such other occasions as the Directors may direct.
2. The value of the units of any unit trust shall be the last offer price calculated for dealing by the managers thereof (less 5 per cent) when the value of the net assets is being calculated for the purpose of computing the price at which Shares are to be issued, and the last bid price calculated for dealing by such managers when the value of net assets is being calculated for the purpose of computing the price at which Shares are to be redeemed.

D. Offer and Bid Prices of Shares

Offer Price of Shares. The Articles contain, inter alia, provisions to the effect that the offer price of each Share issued after the initial issue shall be not less than a sum calculated by:–

(a) ascertaining the value of the net assets as at the relevant valuation day;
(b) adding thereto such sum as the Directors may consider represents the appropriate provision for Duties and Charges (as defined in the Articles) which would have been incurred on the assumption that all the investments held by the Company on the relevant valuation day had been purchased at prices equal to their respective values on such day and deducting therefrom the paid up capital on the Management Shares and the Nominal Shares, if any, of the Company in issue; and
(c) dividing the resulting sum by the number of Shares then in issue and deemed to be in issue.

The Articles provide that the offer price per Share calculated as above may be increased by an initial charge payable to the Manager not exceeding an amount equal to 5 per cent of the current offer price plus the amount (if any) required to round up to the nearest one tenth of one penny the total of the offer price and the initial charge.

Bid Price of Shares. The Articles contain, inter alia, provisions to the effect that the bid price of each Share shall be the sum of the nominal value of the Share and a premium of an amount calculated by:–

(a) ascertaining the value of the net assets as at the relevant valuation day;
(b) deducting therefrom the paid up capital on the Management Shares and Nominal Shares, if any, of the Company in issue plus such sum as the Directors may consider represents the appropriate allowance for Duties and Charges (as defined in the Articles) in relation to the realisation of all the investments held by the Company on the relevant valuation day on the assumption that such investments had been realised at prices equal to their respective values on such day;
(c) dividing the resulting sum by the number of Shares then in issue and deemed to be in issue: and
(d) deducting from the resulting quotient the nominal value of a Share.

The bid price is then rounded down to the nearest one tenth of one penny, the benefit of such rounding being retained by the Manager.

The Manager has the right to purchase Shares offered for redemption at a price not less than the prevailing bid price and to sell shares at a price not exceeding the prevailing offer price.

E. Unclaimed Dividends

The Articles provide that in the event of dividends remaining unclaimed for any period exceeding 12 years they shall become forfeit and revert to the Company.

F. Directors

The Articles contain provisions relating to the Directors to the following effect:–

1. There is no share qualification or age limit for Directors and no provision for Directors to retire by rotation. A Director may be removed at any time by ordinary resolution of the Company in General Meeting.
2. A Director may hold any other office or place of profit under the Company (other than the office of Auditor) in conjunction with his office of Director on such terms as the Directors may determine. A Director may not normally vote in respect of any contract, proposal or arrangement in which he is materially interested nor shall not be disqualified by his office from contracting with the Company. However (in the absence of some other material interest) a Director is permitted to vote in respect of any proposal concerning any other company in which he is interested directly or indirectly provided that he is not the holder of or beneficially interested in 1 per cent or more of any class of the equity share capital of such company (or of any third company through which his interest is derived) or of the voting rights available to members of the relevant company.
3. The Directors will be entitled to receive by way of fees such sum as the Company in general meeting shall from time to time determine, such sum (unless otherwise directed by the resolution by which it is voted) to be divided amongst the Directors in such proportions and in such manner as the Directors may agree and failing agreement equally, except that in such event any Director holding office for less than the whole of the relevant period in respect of which the fees are paid will only rank in such division in proportion to the time during such period for which he has held office. The Directors may also be reimbursed for expenses incurred in connection with the business of the Company and may receive remuneration for special services.
4. The Directors may exercise the powers of the Company to borrow but borrowings of the Company and its subsidiaries shall not (except with the consent of shareholders of the Company in general meeting) exceed the aggregate of share capital and consolidated reserves as defined in the Articles or, prior to the date on which the first accounts are audited, £500,000.

G. Accountants' Report

The following is a copy of a Report addressed to the Directors of the Company by Deloitte Haskins & Sells, the auditors of the Company:–

Albert House,
South Esplanade,
St. Peter Port,
Guernsey,
Channel Islands.

The Directors
Framlington Managed Portfolio Limited,
Barfield House,
St. Julian's Avenue, St. Peter Port,
Guernsey,
Channel Islands.

11th October 1985

Dear Sirs,

Framlington Managed Portfolio Limited ("the Company") was incorporated on 3rd October 1985. The Company has not yet commenced business and accordingly no accounts have been made up and no dividends have been paid.

Yours faithfully,
Deloitte Haskins & Sells
Chartered Accountants.

H. Material Contracts

The following contracts, not being contracts in the ordinary course of business, have been entered into since the date of incorporation of the Company and are or may be material:–

(i) An agreement dated 11th October 1985 made between the Company and the Manager under which the Manager was appointed to manage the business of the Company. As remuneration for its services the Manager will receive from the Company a monthly fee of one twelfth of a half of one per cent of the net assets of the Company as at the last valuation day of each month (subject to a minimum fee of £1,000 per month). This agreement may be terminated by either party by not less than 12 months written notice. The administrative duties imposed on the Manager by this agreement have been delegated by the Manager to Barfield under an agreement dated 11th October 1985 between Barfield and the Manager. This agreement may be terminated by not less than 90 days written notice by Barfield or the Manager.
(ii) An agreement dated 11th October 1985 made between the Company, the Manager and Barfield under which Barfield was appointed Secretary and Registrar of the Company. As remuneration for its services, Barfield will receive from the Manager a monthly fee of one twelfth of a quarter of one per cent of the net assets of the Company at the last valuation day of each month (subject to a minimum fee of £1,750 per month). Barfield's appointment may be terminated by not less than 90 days written notice by the Company. In addition, under an agreement dated 11th October 1985 made between the Company and Barfield, Barfield was appointed Custodian of the assets of the Company. Barfield's appointment as Custodian may be terminated by not less than 90 days written notice by the Company or Barfield. Barfield's remuneration for acting as Custodian under this agreement is included in the remuneration received by it under the first agreement mentioned in this paragraph H(ii).

I. Miscellaneous

1. Clause 3(1) of the Memorandum of Association provides that the principal object of the Company is to carry on business as an investment company.
2. The subscription price of Shares to be issued pursuant to this Prospectus will include a premium of an amount equal to the subscription price less the Manager's initial charge, less 1p.
3. There are no existing or proposed service contracts between any of the Directors and the Company but the Directors may receive fees as provided in the Articles (see paragraph F above). It is estimated that the aggregate fees payable to Directors in respect of the first financial period of the Company will not exceed £2,250.
4. In the opinion of the Directors the minimum amount which must be raised by the Company by the present issue (after deducting the initial charge payable to the Manager) to provide for the matters referred to in paragraph 2 of the Third Schedule to the Companies Act 1985 of Great Britain is £500,000 made up as follows: (i) purchase price of property, nil; (ii) preliminary and issue expenses payable by the Company £80,000; (iii) repayment of monies borrowed for the foregoing, nil; and (iv) working capital £420,000. If the amount raised by the present issue is less than £500,000, no Shares will be issued and all application monies will be returned by 12th November 1985.
5. The Company has not established a place of business in Great Britain and has no subsidiaries.
6. The provisions of Sections 82, 86 and 87 of the Companies Act 1985 of Great Britain (other than the penal provisions), so far as applicable having regard to Section 75 of that Act, shall apply to this issue.
7. The Manager was incorporated in Guernsey on 14th April 1983 and has an authorised share capital of £5,000 divided into 5,000 shares of £1 each, all of which have been issued and are fully paid up.
8. Mr. W. R. Stuttaford, a Director of the Company, is a shareholder of Framlington Group plc, the parent company of the Manager, and Senior Partner of Laurence, Prust & Co. which is entitled to receive a fee (estimated at £7,500) in connection with the issue of this Prospectus and may receive commissions both on applications for shares on behalf of its clients and on purchases or sales of investments made by the Framlington unit trusts.
9. Mr. J. G. J. Evett and Mr. P. P. Walsh both of whom are Directors of the Company, are directors of Barfield and shareholders of The Bank of N. T. Butterfield & Son Limited, which owns 50 per cent of the issued share capital of Barfield. Barfield will receive the above-mentioned fees for acting as Secretary, Registrar and Custodian and for carrying out administrative duties and may also receive fees from the Company in respect of banking services.
10. The Company's preliminary expenses are estimated to amount to £8,000 and the expenses incurred in connection with the issue of this Prospectus and the application for listing on The Stock Exchange are estimated to amount to £74,000. The expenses incurred in connection with the issue of a continuing Prospectus are estimated to amount to £5,000. All these expenses will be paid by the Company and it is intended that they will be amortised over a period not exceeding five years. The cost of any additional advertising over and above that required in connection with the application for listing will be paid by the Manager.
11. The Company is responsible for all normal operating expenses including audit fees, stamp and other duties and charges incurred on acquisition and realisation of investments and certain expenses of the Manager.
12. The Company is not engaged in any litigation or arbitration and no litigation or claim is known to the Directors to be pending or threatened against the Company.
13. No share or loan capital of the Company has been issued since the date of incorporation of the Company or is proposed to be issued as fully or partly paid up otherwise than in cash. Save as disclosed in "Procedure for subscription" above, and save that the Manager may from time to time offer to sell Shares to any particular class of applicant at a discount to the offer price or offer additional Shares to such applicants by way of bonus, the amount of the discount or the cost of the bonus Shares being at the expense of the Manager, no commissions, discounts, brokerages or other special terms have been or are proposed to be granted in connection with the issue or sale of any share or loan capital of the Company. No capital of the Company is under option or is agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be put under option. None of the Directors is beneficially or non-beneficially interested in the issued share capital of the Company. Save for the Manager's holding of 100 Management Shares mentioned in paragraph A above, the Directors are not aware of any person interested (directly or indirectly) in 5 per cent or more of any class of the Company's share capital.
14. As at the date of issue of this Prospectus the Company does not have any loan capital (including term loans) outstanding or created but unissued, or any outstanding mortgages, charges, or other borrowings or indebtedness in the nature of borrowing, including bank overdrafts, liabilities under acceptances or acceptance credits, hire purchase commitments or guarantees or other material contingent liabilities.
15. Save as disclosed herein, no amount or benefit has been paid or given (or is intended to be paid or given) to any promoter and no Director has or has had any interest, direct or indirect, in the promotion of the Company or in any assets which have been or are proposed to be acquired or disposed of by or leased to or by the Company or in any transaction effected by the Company up to the date of this Prospectus which is or was unusual in its nature or conditions or significant in relation to the business of the Company.
16. Under the Articles no dividend will be payable out of any funds representing a surplus over book value derived from the sale or realisation of any capital asset or out of funds representing accretions to capital assets of the Company.
17. The Directors may operate an Equalisation Procedure under the Articles if they consider this to be desirable in order to prevent the dividend yield on Shares from being affected by issues or redemptions.
18. The trust deeds constituting each of the authorised unit trusts currently managed by Framlington Unit Management Limited contain provisions to the effect that no investment may be made which would result, inter alia, in: (a) the value of the trust's holding of investments in any one company exceeding 5 per cent of the assets of the trust immediately after such investment has been made (7½ per cent in respect of the holding of investments in not more than six companies provided certain other conditions are met) or (b) the nominal amount of the trust's holding of an investment in any class of shares or stock in any company exceeding 10 per cent of the total nominal amount of all the issued shares or stock of that class immediately after such investment has been made.
19. Deloitte Haskins & Sells have given and have not withdrawn their written consent to the issue of this Prospectus with the inclusion herein of their Report in the form and context in which it is included.
20. The documents attached to the copy of this Prospectus delivered to the Registrar of Companies in England and Wales for registration were the material contracts referred to in paragraph H above and the consent of Deloitte Haskins & Sells, Chartered Accountants.

J. Documents Available for Inspection

Copies of the following documents will be available for inspection at the offices of Barfield Bank & Trust Co. Limited, Barfield House, St. Julian's Avenue, St. Peter Port, Guernsey, Channel Islands and of Norton, Rose, Botterell & Roche, Kempson House, Camomile Street, London EC3A 7AN, during usual business hours until 6th November 1985—

(i) the material contracts referred to in paragraph H above;
(ii) the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company and the Manager;
(iii) the Companies (Guernsey) Laws 1908 to 1973 under which the Company was incorporated;
(iv) the report and consent of Deloitte Haskins & Sells, Chartered Accountants.

14th October 1985

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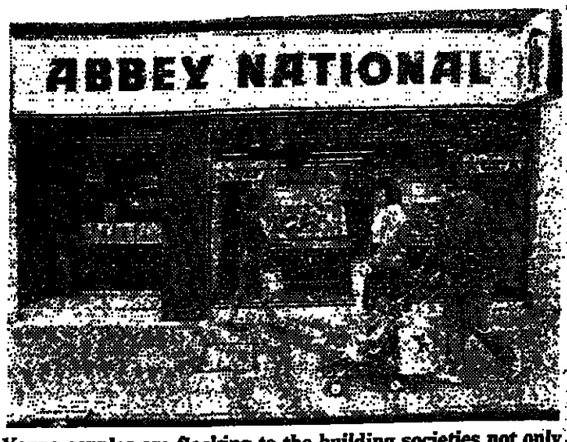
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Bristol & West	neg.	3%	12.75	75	25	3.0	1.0	all purposes considered
Abbey National	neg.	0–3%	12.75	up to 100	25	variable		all purposes considered
Cheltenham & Gloucester (Gold Loan Scheme)	30-60	none	12.650	75	25	3.0	1.0	not for business purposes
Coventry	neg.	0-0.5%	12.75	75	25	3.0	0.5	all purposes considered
Greenwich	0-25 over 25	0-0.5% 0.25-0.75%	12.90	up to 95	25	3.0	1.5	all purposes considered
Northern Rock	neg.	1%	12.75	80	25	2.75	1.0	all purposes considered
Skipton	neg.	1%	12.75	75	25	3.0	1.0	all purposes considered
Chemical Bank	over 25	none	12.75	up to 85	30	2.5	1.5	School fees, second homes & insurance
NatWest Bank	neg.	3-7%	11.50	neg.	10-25	neg.	neg.	all purposes considered
First National Bank of Boston	30-50 over 50	0.125% none	12.875	80	25	2.5	1.0	second/holiday homes only
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United Bank of Kuwait	over 30	none	12.5	70-80	25	2.5	1.5/2.5	second/ holiday homes and consolidation of debts only
Western Trust & Savings Ltd.	15-100	none	13.50	80	25	3.0	1.0	all purposes considered
Bank America Finance	to 150	none	13.25	80	30	3.0	1.0	not for business purposes
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M H Home Finance	over 25	none	14.75	90	25	3.0	1.0	not working capital, purchase of shares or 'unspecified' purposes
Confederation Mortgage Services	15-100	none	12.75	up to 95	35	3.0	1.0	all purposes considered
Eagle Star	neg.	none	11.50	70-90	25	2.5	2.5	not consumer durables
National Employers Life	over 15	1%	13.75	up to 85	25	3.0	–	all purposes considered

*Base rate refers to base mortgage rate charged by each individual institution

Source: *Money Magazine*

BUILDING SOCIETIES: Loans for everything else

How the 'rules' are bent on cheap credit



Young couples are flocking to the building societies not only to buy a home but also cars, school fees and holidays

Loans from banks and building societies secured on the home – but not for the purchase of a home – are flourishing despite the Bank of England's clamp-down last month on Kleinwort, Benson's controversial home loan scheme.

Moreover, the lending institutions providing this cheap form of credit – for cars, school fees, or even intangibles such as holidays – are interpreting the relevant Bank of England-Treasury directive, issued in 1982, in different ways.

The directive stipulated that banks and building societies should not make loans secured against a person's home for purposes other than the purchase or improvement of the property.

It was invoked by the Bank of England to block the Kleinwort, Benson scheme whereby Kleinwort wanted to lend up to 70 per cent of the value of the homeowner's property – irrespective of how much was to be used for the purchase of improvement of the property.

"It is the publicity and advertising of this form of lending that the authorities object to." Richard Torney, of the Abbey National, said of the current position. "We don't tend to do very much ourselves. And we certainly wouldn't go as far as publishing a leaflet."

The Skipton Building Society has no such inhibitions and adopts an entirely different approach. Last month it did a mail shot among existing borrowers exhorting them to take out loans for any purpose. It got a terrific response.

"We have lent £600,000 for non-qualifying purposes as a result of last month's mail shot". Julian Healey, of the Skipton, said. (Loans for purposes other than the purchase or improvement of property, broadly speaking, do not qualify for tax relief.) "We also encourage non-members to take out loans with us for any purpose. We don't regard the directive as in any way applying to building societies", he said.

The Skipton's flexibility also stretches the purpose for which its non-qualifying loans can be applied. Skipton members, for example, could borrow from the society to fund their holiday.

Similar flexibility is demonstrated by the Bristol & West building society which openly markets a personal loan scheme – all purposes will be considered. The Cheltenham & Gloucester has a gold loan scheme for larger mortgages. Remortgages for non-qualifying purposes (other than business loans – come within the ambit of the scheme, with the Cheltenham & Gloucester prepared to lend up to £60,000 (and up to 75 per cent of the value of the property).

"This sort of lending has been going on quietly for a number of years," a Bristol & West spokesman said. "The response to our scheme indicates that the need is there."

'Cash for consumer spending banned'

The Cheltenham & Gloucester also testifies to the popularity of its gold loan scheme, although it is worth remembering that this also encompasses straightforward mortgages. The society has no breakdown on the nature of the borrowing purposes.

At the banks, Chemical Bank said it "lends strictly in accordance with the Bank of England Directive". But it thinks that this allows existing borrowers – but not new ones – to borrow money from it (secured on the home) for school fees, second homes and business. But any form of consumer spending is out.

"The directive is actually aimed at preventing loans secured on the home being taken out for consumer spending". Derek Beardsley, of Chemical Bank, said.

The directive has no force of law, being merely a recommendation. But the Bank of England or Treasury could, if they wanted, make life uncomfortable for any bank or building society that flouts it – witness the Kleinwort, Benson climb-down. Moreover, the Bank said it does apply to banks and building societies alike.

The table represents a selection of lending institutions prepared to lend for non-qualifying purposes secured on your home. The remortgage or second mortgage of this variety is a cheap form of credit –

Higher rates on loans for 'luxury' items

particularly with bank personal loans hovering around the 22-23 per cent APR mark and major credit cards at 26.8 per cent.

There can be an arrangement fee, valuation fees as well as your own and the institutions' legal fees. But some institutions, such as Chemical Bank, will tack on much of the expense to the loan so that you cover it through your repayments. Chemical charges no arrangement fee.

You generally also have to have enough equity to soak up the loan – the limits are shown in the table.

Most institutions are fairly constant about the rates they charge – they do not vary according to the purpose for which you want the loan. This is natural as the security – your home – is the vital factor.

Abbey National is an exception. It charges higher rates of interest for loans needed for more luxurious purposes. A swimming pool loan, for example, will be dearer than one for school fees. "The sort of members wanting money for luxury items are generally more willing to pay a higher rate of interest", Mr Torney said.

But on the plus side Abbey is one of the few institutions prepared to lend up to 100 per cent of the value of your home.

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BUILDING SOCIETIES: How the rates compare for savers and borrowers

Shop around for better deals

Time was when choosing a building society was like buying wellington boots – they all looked the same. These days even wellington boots come in jazzy colours and deciding which is the right building society has become a bewildering experience, requiring a lot of thought if you are to make the most of the investment and loan opportunities.

Societies offering the most competitive investment rates are not necessarily the best places to borrow, for the obvious reason that if they are paying the investors over the odds they are likely to have to charge borrowers more, too.

Anyone likely to be both a saver and a borrower should therefore consider opening more than one account – and probably with different societies.

The tables show those societies offering best buys on both the investment and home loan front, although on home loans we have also included the rates charged by the biggest societies, because it may not always be possible to obtain a loan from some of the small societies.

Curiously, however, it is some of the smaller societies that are offering the cheapest loans: the Bedford, Buckinghamshire, Chesham, Frome Selwood, Hanley Economic, Herne Bay and Loughborough societies are all charging a competitive 12.5 per cent. Of the big national societies only the Cheltenham & Gloucester begins to compete, with home loans of any size at 12.625 per cent.

Though the rates look cheaper than the 13 per cent that bank customers are paying, there is, because of the way building societies calculate interest on outstanding balances, little difference between them.

And if a borrower can get a good deal by shopping around, the investor is overwhelmed with different types of account, all offering returns at record levels, if you take into account the rate of inflation.

The tiny Aid to Thrift society is paying 10.2 per cent net of basic rate tax for investments of any size and the table shows other societies all offering well over 9 per cent with little restriction on access.

About the only drawback with these small societies is that they are generally "one office" operations and if you want to invest you have to be prepared to do so by post.

If this sounds like unnecessary aggravation, you can get a thumping 9.5 per cent from nationals such as the Cheltenham & Gloucester's Gold Account if you have £5,000 or more to invest, and Bradford & Bingley is paying 9.5 per cent on its Real Gold account for investments of £1,000 or more. Leeds Liquid Gold and the Woolwich's Prime Account are both offering 9 per cent on investments of £500 or more.

Higher rates can be obtained if you are prepared to accept some restriction on withdrawal. Yorkshire Building Society offers 9.8 per cent net of basic rate tax on investments of £500 or more, provided you give 60 days' notice of withdrawal.

Lorna Bourke

BUILDING SOCIETY MORTGAGES (REPAYMENT)

	to £15,000	£15,000 £25,000	£25,000 £30,000	£30,000 £35,000	£35,000 £45,000	£45,000 £50,000	more than £50,000
Abbey National	12.75	12.75	12.75	12.75	12.75	12.75	12.75
Alliance	12.75	12.75*	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00
Anglia	12.75	12.75	12.75	13.25	13.25	13.50	13.50
Bedford	12.50	12.75	12.75	12.75	12.75	12.75	12.75
Bradford & Bingley	12.75	12.75*	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.25
Bristol & West	12.75	12.75	12.75	12.75	12.75	12.75	12.75
Britannia	12.75	12.75	12.75	12.75	12.75	12.75	12.75
Buckinghamshire	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.50
Cheltenham & Glos	12.65	12.65	12.65	12.65	12.65	12.65	12.65
Chesham	12.50	negotiable					
Cheshunt	12.625	13.125	13.625	13.625	13.625	14.125	14.125
Colchester	12.65	negotiable					
Frome Selwood	12.50*	12.75	12.75**	14.00	14.50	14.50	14.50
Gateway	12.75	12.75*	13.00	13.50	13.50	13.50	13.50
Halifax	12.75	12.75	12.75	12.75	12.75	12.75	12.75
Hanley Economic	12.50	negotiable					
Herne Bay	12.50	12.50	negotiable				
Leeds Permanent	12.75	12.75	13.00	13.25	13.50	13.50	13.50
Leicester	12.75	12.75*	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00
Loughborough	12.50	negotiable					
National & Prov	12.75	12.75	12.75	12.75	12.75	12.75	12.75
Nationwide	12.75	12.75	12.75	12.75	12.75	12.75	12.75
Penrith	12.60	12.60	12.60	negotiable			
Woolwich	12.75	12.75	12.75	12.75	12.75	12.75	12.75
Yorkshire	12.75	12.75	12.75	12.75	12.75	12.75	12.75

a=rate changes at £20,000 * under £14,750 ** under £29,750

BUILDING SOCIETY BEST BUYS

Medium notice	%	Min £
Rowley Regis 70-day share*	10	20,000
Heart of England High Int 2-yr term*	9.8	10,000
Ipswich Bonus*	9.8	10,000
Melton Mowbray Supreme 60*	9.8	500
Greenwich 60-day*	9.75	5,000
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Town & Country Super 60*	9.75	1,000
Ipswich Bonus	9.8	10,000
Melton Mowbray Super 60	9.8	500
Civil Service Sceptre*	9.7	1,000

*Monthly income available

BUILDING SOCIETY BEST BUYS

Easy access	%	Min £
Aid to Thrift	10.2	1
Tynemouth Blue Chip (7-day)	9.5	1,000
Property Owners High Int Bond*	9.3	1,000
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Bradford & Bingley Real Gold**	9.5	1,000
Hinkley & Rugby High Rise Share	9.5	1,000
Teachers Bullion Share†	9.25	500
Derbyshire Goldstep	9.25	100
Skipton Sovereign Share	9.35	500
Britannia Monthly Inc (7-day)	9.05	1,000

* Monthly income
** Maximum 2 withdrawals pa
† Minimum transaction £250

Source: Building Society Choice

MORTGAGES (REPAYMENT) – BANKS

Barclays	13.00 %
Chemical Bank	12.75 (minimum loan £25,000)
Citibank	12.75**
Lloyds	13.00
Midland	13.00 (from 1 November)
Nat West	13.00
TSB	13.25* (from November 1 for new borrowers, December 1 for existing borrowers)
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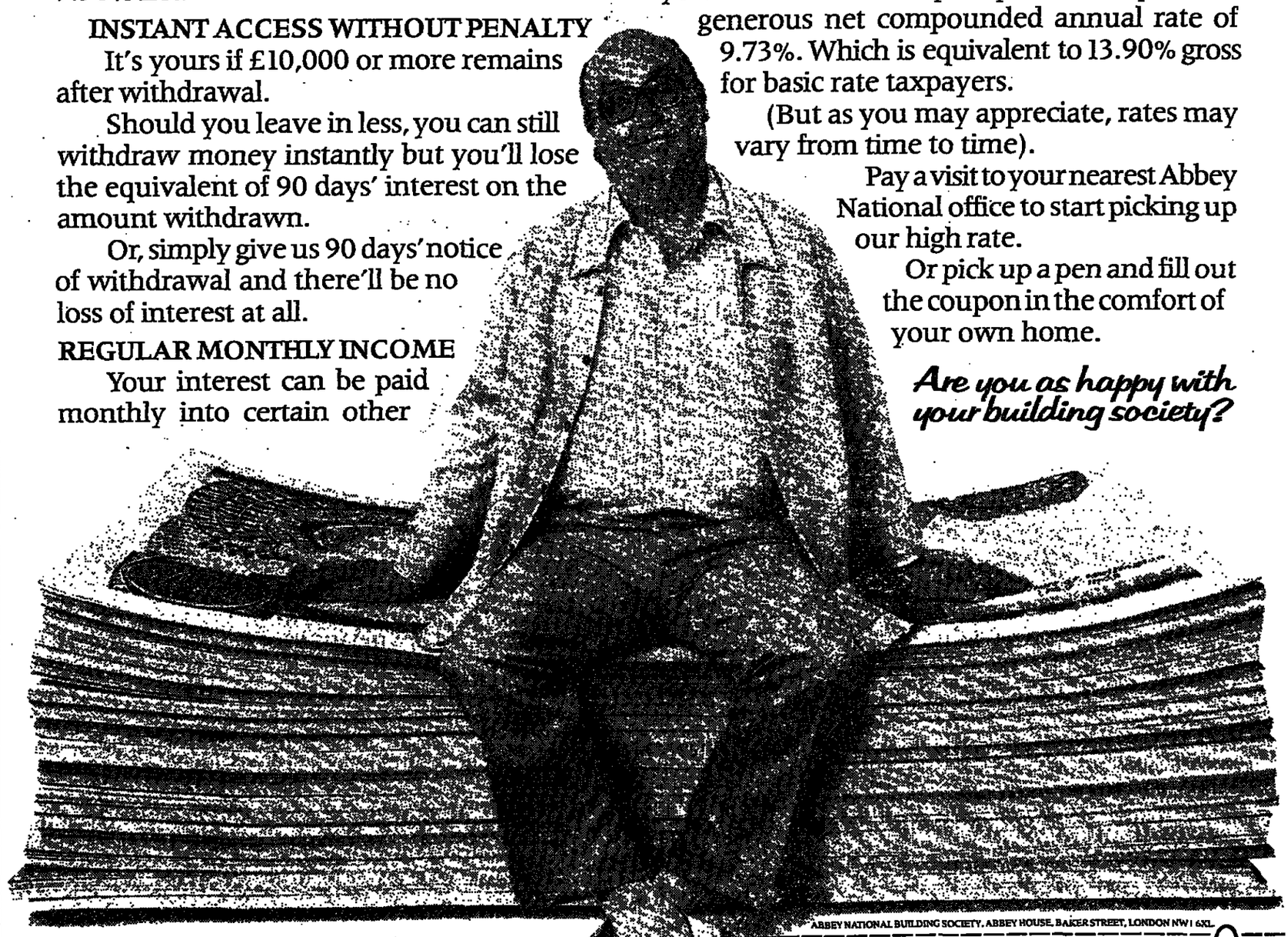
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BUILDING SOCIETIES: Those tempting extras

The children's treats

The banks used to be able to promote their children's savings accounts over the building societies' with slogans such as: "Why turn your child into a tax- payer?" But now that banks have been brought into the composite tax network and also have to deduct basic rate tax at source, building society accounts can compete on even terms.

It is true that children – who like everyone else are entitled to a personal allowance of £2,205 before they start paying tax – can always turn to National Savings to get their interest paid gross. But the ordinary account pays just 3 per cent, or 6 per cent if a minimum of £500 is kept in the account for the whole year.

Investment accounts that pay 11.5 per cent demand 30 days' notice to withdraw money and the minimum deposit was put up this year from £1 to £5.

So most children would probably prefer to pay their taxes and join a building society where they can still earn a respectable net rate of interest and enjoy all sorts of freebies, as well as easy access to their money.

Discounts on toys and software

The Nationwide used to take a moral view and refused to have children's accounts because of the unfairness of forcing them to pay taxes unnecessarily. But it is to launch a new children's account soon.

Britannia is also about to start a children's account and the newly formed Alliance & Leicester will soon join the band.

The Leicester's Moneyclub, which offered all sorts of discounts on toys, software and even British Rail travel was a *Building Society Choice* best buy when it surveyed children's accounts a year ago, but was dropped when the two societies merged.

Surprisingly the building societies that provide the most tempting package of goodies often also offer good rates of interest to junior savers. It is not hard to find a junior account offering the basic share account rate of 7 per cent (net) with a pretty unexciting bag of tricks – such as balloons, pencils and badges. But there are more exciting offers around.



'Forget the badges, pens and sketchbooks – how about free membership of my dad's video club?'

It must be difficult to beat the 11 per cent on offer from the Sheffield Building Society's children's high interest account. Only the children of account holders can open one of these accounts and they are limited to a maximum deposit of £500.

One of the best packages comes from the Peckham Building Society. This offers 9.15 per cent with interest paid annually and a choice of membership of the World Wildlife Fund, the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds or a free entry pass to London Zoo for a year for £3 instead of £6. The Peckham will also pay half the subscriptions – or a quarter for London Zoo in the second year.

Portman Building Society can top the interest rate with 9.25 per cent at the Young Generation Club, but savers get just a woodland sketchbook, colouring pencils, wildlife prints and a badge.

But if children are fans of Mickey Mouse, Paddington Bear or Henry's Cat persuasive arguments about getting an extra 1 per cent on their money is not going to induce them to become a Young Leeder at the Leeds Permanent Building Society.

"We concentrate on the educational side of things," a Leeds man said. "Parents are likely to influence where children save and their concern is the interest rate rather than the give-aways."

They Abbey National also found that many of its savers who joined as young children were outgrowing the junior club. So now Mickey Mouse and his friends entertain the under 13s while older children become Ace Savers and get a glossy pop magazine.

The Derbyshire offers a grand 8.5 per cent to young savers. It takes a high profile at local events such as showgrounds giving away things such as hats and umbrellas without a slogan or even a logo. But it also encourages young savers to stay – anyone who deposits £5 during October is rewarded with a beach ball, key fob or ruler.

Building societies are realizing that canny children are capable of moving their money around to get one pack of free gifts after another. So they are now offering more inducements for junior savers to keep at it. Parents are also realizing that not all the money boxes and T-shirts on offer from building societies are free.

Vivien Goldsmith

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Bristol & West	£
Chatham Reliance	£
Leeds	£
North Kent	£
Scarborough	£ US$
Sheffield	£
Tyldesley	£
Universal	£ US$
Vernon	£ US$ Can$, DM Fr Franc Swiss Fr
Walthamstow	£

ACCOUNTS FOR CHILDREN

Society	Rate %	Offers or conditions
Sheffield	11	Parents must have an account
Portman	9.25	Wildlife pack
Peckham	9.15	Membership of World Wildlife Fund, RSPB or half Friends of London Zoo
Walthamstow	8.75	Regular savings a/c. Min £1 per month, can miss up to 2 months
Derbyshire	8.5	Moneybox, stickers, birthday card, competitions
Anglia	8.25	£1 membership. Notepad, magazine, wildlife book with stickers
Scarborough	8	Pen, birthday card
Leeds	8	Education packs teachers, pop newspaper
Chelsea	7.75	Rocket moneybox 75p, T-shirt £1.16, free badge
Bristol & West	7.25	Snoopy moneybox £1.50, free badge
Vernon	7.25	Bear moneybox £1, birthday card & present, eg sports bag; badge and balloon
Abbey National	7	Badge, magazine, birthday card – Mickey Mouse or pop
Cheltenham & Gloucester	7	Paddington Bear moneybox £2, T-shirt £1.50, birthday letter (statement) and present, eg memo board and pen
Greenwich	7	Year's subscription to Wildfowl Trust and Adopt-a-Duck scheme, free admission to wildfowl Trust Centre
Woolwich	7	Henry's Cat writing pad and stickers, pen, pencil, ruler, magazine, birthday card
Halifax	7	House moneybox, Alicat comic, birthday and Christmas cards

Card that beats the pack

The Leicestercard, now renamed the Alliance & Leicestercard since the merger of the two societies, is a building society extra to dwarf all others. More than 11,000 outlets will now give cardholders discounts. You can save money on spare parts for the car, a meal out, a video cassette, a Page & Moy holiday and even the duty-frees you buy on the way back.

The card comes with all the Alliance & Leicester accounts. Existing customers who opened their accounts in the days when the Alliance stood alone can apply. As long as you have a minimum balance of £100 in your account you are eligible for a card.

Those with an ordinary share account, the Readymoney Plus, can use the card to operate their account at the Post Office and in cash machines.

There are other extras. Several building societies offer gift tokens where you just pay the sum you are giving and get the card free. The Halifax, Greenwich, Woolwich and Bradford & Bingley all provide this gift token service. But the Abbey National goes further and promises to backdate interest on the gift money to the purchase date as long as there is less than a month between purchase and deposit.

The Buckinghamshire building society will lend you a video produced by the Building Societies Association on buying a first home. *Buying Your Own Home* runs for 27 minutes and takes *Breakfast Time* presenter Debbie Rix through all the stages of house purchase.

The free set of 12 booklets called *Life Plan Guides* from the Halifax cover topics such as energy conservation, home security, retirement, redundancy and home improvements. Yo do not even have to open an account at the Halifax to get these guides and some Citizens' Advice Bureaux have laid in stocks.

Freebies for travellers

If you are thinking of opening a building society account and you also take holidays abroad, remember that some buildings societies offer commission-free travellers' cheques and that could save you quite a bit of money.

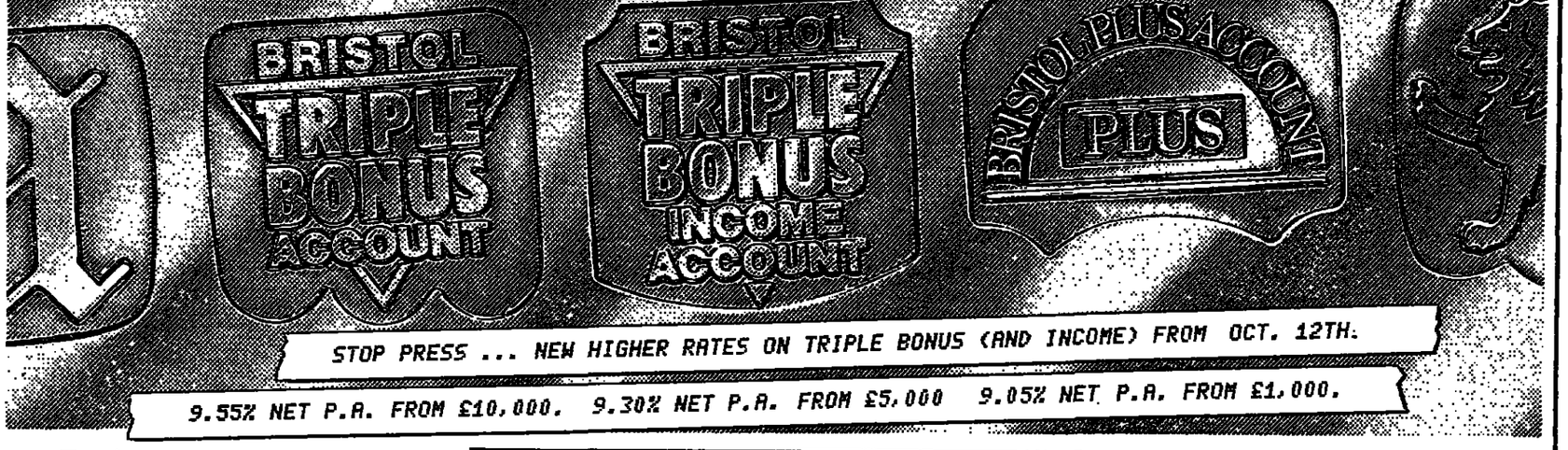
If the account does not offer an attractive rate of interest you could keep just a few pounds in it until you know you will need some travellers' cheques and then transfer money into the account to buy the cheques.

It is worth mentioning that the Derbyshire Building Society offers freebies to travellers. You can choose a combined sewing kit and clothes brush, beach ball or set of luggage tags, although it charges the standard 1 per cent commission.

Building societies such as the Heart of England and Sussex Mutual which used to offer commission free travellers' cheques have dropped them, so presumably they found that customers were not playing the game and they were not covering their costs.

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BUILDING SOCIETIES: How the joint schemes affect investors

Drawbacks in the bank link

This week saw the launch of yet another bank-building society joint scheme. But are these link-ups worthwhile from the customers' point of view? RICHARD THOMSON believes they have largely been superseded by the introduction of high interest cheque accounts at the banks

Midshires Building Society recently became the seventh to launch a deposit account linked to a bank cheque account. There are, however, big differences among all these schemes and some of them are simply not worth most investors' consideration.

The common denominator is that the schemes require you to put money into both a building society account and a bank account. You are paid a rate of interest on the amount in the building society account which tends to increase with the size of deposit (see table). You are then issued with a cheque book and offered free banking facilities.

The only exception to this pattern is the Abbey National's scheme. Although this is operated in conjunction with the Co-op Bank, you do not get a bank account. The Co-op merely acts as clearer for the cheques. Your money remains in the Abbey, which gives the scheme two related drawbacks.

The first is that you get no cheque guarantee card – building societies cannot provide these because they are prohibited by legislation from making unsecured loans, otherwise known as overdrafts.

You can, therefore, use the cheques only to pay for items such as electricity or gas bills. They are useless in shops.

The second drawback is, as the lack of a guarantee card implies, that you cannot overdraw on your account as you could on an ordinary bank account. In addition, if your balance in the Abbey account falls below £100 you pay a colossal £1 fee on every cheque written, and the scheme looks even less attractive.

COMPARISON TABLES

Building Societies	Midshires Master-cheque	Alliance Banksave	Abbey National Chequesave	Abbey National City Chequesave	Town & Country Moneywise	Bristol & West Moneylink	Chelsea Capital Shares
Minimum investment (£)	500	500	100	10,000	250	100	1,000
Cheque guarantee facility?	Yes Visa	Yes Visa	No	No	No	Yes	No
Credit card available	Visa	Visa	Visa	Visa	Visa	No	No
Standing orders	Yes No limit	Yes (5free)	No	No	Yes (5)	Yes	No
Direct debits	Yes No limit	Yes No limit	No	No	No	Yes	No
Cash withdrawal limits per day (£)	100	50	250	250	250	250	N/A by cheque 250 passbook
Statements	Every 2 months	Monthly	Passbook	Passbook	Passbook	Quarterly statement & passbook	Passbook
Free banking?	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	50 cheques free per annum
Account charges	35p per item if overdrawn	25p per item if overdrawn	£1 per cheque if balance is less than £100	£1 per cheque if balance is less than £100	50p per item if balance less than £250	If overdrawn or building society account is under minimum balance 30p per item	50p per cheque once annual allocation is used
Overdrafts available?	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No
Net interest rates (%)	Less than 2,500 =7.75 2,500-9,999 =8.75 10,000+ =9.25	Less than 2,500=7.75 2,500+ =8.75	Less than 2,500=5.50 2,500-10,000 =8.57	10-25,000 =9.05 25,000+ =9.50	250-2,499 =5.75 2,500-9,999 =9.0 10,000-19,999 =9.50 20,000+ =9.80	All balance levels=7.00	1,000-2,499 =8.80 2,500-19,999 =9.30 20,000+ =9.80
How calculated/ credited?	Daily/ Annually	Daily/ annually	Daily/ half-yearly	Daily/ half-yearly	Daily/ annually	Daily/ half-yearly	Daily/ annually
Notes	With TSB	With Bank of Scotland	With the Co-op Bank	With the Co-op Bank	With the Co-op Bank	With Standard Chartered	With the Co-op Bank

Source: Midshires Building Society

Most schemes are very cumbersome

Investors would be well advised to steer clear of it, unless all they are looking for is a relatively pedestrian savings account.

The Chelsea Building Society's scheme, also linked with the Co-op Bank, is almost as unattractive, though the interest rates offered are more generous.

Bristol & West's Moneylink shows some improvement on these. At least you get a cheque guarantee card, overdraft facility and a low £100 minimum investment. But the 7 per cent interest currently paid on deposits is distinctly meagre.

A further objection to most schemes is that they are cumbersome to set up. With Bristol & West's, for instance, you have to fill out two sets of forms for the building society account and the account with Standard Chartered. You then have to send separate deposit cheques to each institution.

Having done this you get your free banking only if you keep £100 constantly in the British & West account. With several banks these days, however, you pay no charges as long as your account is simply in credit.

One building society manager explained: "When these accounts were first launched banks were less generous about their charges, and the free banking offer looked more attractive. But it has to be admitted that nowadays these schemes have have little point to them."

Of more relevance are the Alliance & Leicester Banksave and the new Midshires Master-cheque schemes. The advantage of these is that your money is moved automatically between accounts.

The bank account of the Midshires scheme, for instance, requires an initial deposit of £350 – but the building society pays this in for you out of your total first payment. If, through

Many high-interest accounts on offer

writing cheques, your bank account falls below £100 – at which point you cease to get free banking – it is automatically topped up to £350 again from the building society account.

On top of this you get a cheque guarantee card and overdraft facility, as well as reasonably generous rates of interest on your building society deposit.

These two schemes also have the advantage of relatively low minimum withdrawal limits.

But there is no reason to look only at building societies if you want a combination of bank and deposit accounts. There are many high interest cheque accounts on offer. Save & Prosper's Premier High Interest account, for instance, offers essentially the same services.

The main difference is that the rate of interest paid may be a little less generous.

An even better choice would be Citibank Savings' Cheque Account Plus, which has no minimum investment or withdrawal limits and pays a highly competitive rate of interest. Yet here there is still the problem of no cheque card and no overdraft facility.

In the end you can probably achieve a more convenient and flexible solution by simply having separate bank and building society accounts.

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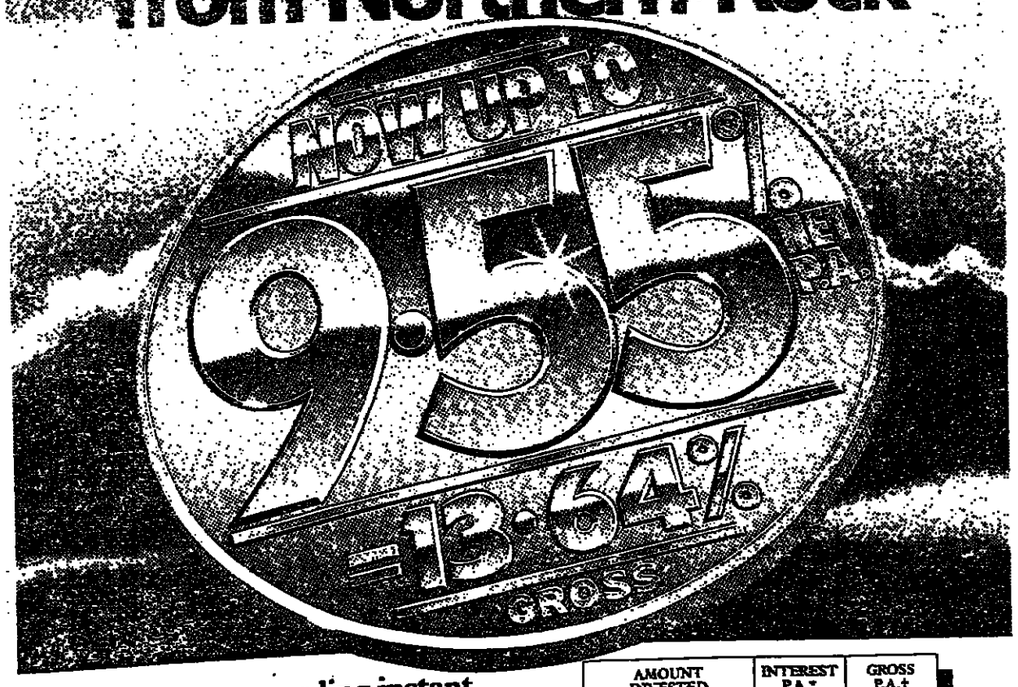
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THE TIMES UNIT TRUST INFORMATION SERVICE

	Bid	Offer	Wkly Chng	Yld
ABBEY UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
69, Holdenhurst Rd, Bournemouth BH8 8AL 0245 717373 (Lines4m)				
Gilt & Fixed	118.1	110.7●		10.63
High Inc Equity	74.7	79.5●	+1.3	6.23
Worldwide Bond	120.0	128.8	+0.1	0.32
American Growth	126.8	134.9	+2.2	2.97
Asian Pacific	45.8	48.5	+1.2	2.89
Assets & Earns	78.5	84.3	+1.3	2.74
Capital Reserve	60.3	60.8	+0.2	..
Comm & Energy	97.7	72.8●	-0.8	2.61
European Capital	55.2	59.7	+2.0	2.55
General	115.8	123.8	+1.8	3.43
Japan	152.8	163.4●	-2.8	..
UK Growth Inc	74.4	80.0●	+1.3	1.93
Co Accum	106.5	114.5●	+1.7	..
US Emerging Co's	49.2	53.1●	+1.1	0.49
Equitas Progress	165.0	176.4	+2.7	2.82
AITKEN HUME FURDS MANAGEMENT				
30, City Road, London EC1Y 2AY 01-638 6011				
American Tech	94.6	101.1●	+3.6	0.10
Pacific	114.5	122.5	+2.1	4.05
Sec Income Fnd	145.0	155.1●	-0.6	6.34
Special Situations	157.5	161.5	+2.3	1.56
Energy & Res	98.5	99.1	-1.0	0.10
American Mature	98.0	98.8	+2.6	2.50
Small Co's	30.2	32.2	+0.6	1.57
Japan Technology	98.6	80.6	+0.4	0.10
International Income	80.0	82.4●	+0.4	7.00
Exempt	439.5	470.8●		2.36
ALLIED DUNBAR UNIT TRUSTS				
Allied Dunbar Hse, Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Brentwood, Essex 0277 211456 & 0277 229123				
First Trust	165.3	197.3	+2.8	3.60
Growth & Income	109.2	115.2●	+2.1	4.05
Capital Trust	181.9	204.4●	+2.9	3.33
Balanced	294.8	314.0	+3.6	3.95
Accum Trust	448.5	475.2●	+5.9	3.95
American Income	23.2	24.6	+0.3	5.07
High Income Tst	192.6	208.5●	+3.0	5.47
Equity Income	108.5	115.5	+2.1	5.74
High Yield	115.9	123.4	-1.8	6.64
Ctwt Secs Trust	28.1	29.9	..	6.01
International	59.3	63.2	+1.2	2.26
Japan Fund	60.8	64.8	-0.5	0.01
Pacific Trust	115.1	122.6	-0.5	1.46
Amer Special Sits	54.2	58.8●	+2.2	1.77
Recs Of Amer Tst	168.1	179.0	+4.2	1.31
Abl Asset Value	181.4	193.2	+3.6	4.09
Gilt Growth	33.6	35.0●	+0.2	12.23
Smaller Co's	2.81	2.99	+0.1	1.67
2nd Smaller Co's	131.1	136.5●	+0.8	2.90
Recovery Trust	82.3	87.3●	+1.5	2.82
Mat Mkt & Cmdty	76.4	81.4 c	-1.9	2.25
10 Asset Earnings	153.7	163.5	+2.3	3.89
Technology Tst	71.6	76.3●	+1.6	1.55
Income Exempt	102.4	108.5	+1.4	6.36
Exempt Smaller Co's	17.2	18.3●	+1.1	3.41
USA Exempt Trust	259.3	275.9●	+0.9	1.02
ARBUTHNOT SECURITIES				
131, Finsbury Pavement, London EC2A 1AY 01-628 9828 (01-283 8548)(1-5)				
Capital Growth Inc	48.4	51.7	+0.5	2.06
Do Accum	52.2	55.5	+0.7	2.06
Commodity	71.5	76.4	-0.6	4.17
Do Accum	119.5	127.5	-0.9	4.17
Do 10% Windfall	38.0	40.6	-0.3	4.17
Eastern & Int	91.0	97.3	+1.5	2.05
Do 5% Withdrawal	59.1	63.1	+1.0	5.01
Finance & Property	52.2	55.8	+1.7	2.58
Foreign Growth Inc	58.5	60.4	+0.1	2.50
Do Accum	57.2	61.1	+0.1	2.50
Gilt & Fixed Income	45.2	48.0	+0.2	9.94
Do Accum	73.8	77.4	+0.2	9.94
High Income Income	86.9	92.9	+0.9	6.36
Do Accum	133.4	142.6	+1.5	6.36
High Yield Income	81.7	86.9	+0.5	8.65
Do Accum	155.1	165.8	+1.8	8.65
Managed Fund	90.5	93.2	+0.6	..
North American	73.0	78.1	+0.5	2.74
Preference Income	39.5	29.3●	+0.1	11.37
Do Accum	80.9	85.5●	+0.5	11.37
Sterling Inc Co's Income	101.1	108.1	+1.3	0.25
Do Accum	107.9	115.4	+1.4	0.25
World Penny Shares	8.7	9.3	+0.3	1.97
Portfolio Tst UK	62.1	64.8	+0.1	1.93
Portfolio Tst Japan	66.7	69.7	+0.7	0.10
Portfolio Tst US	61.7	63.9	+0.9	1.25
Portfolio Tst Europe	80.4	76.8	+1.3	0.10
Portfolio Tst HK	41.5	43.9	+0.6	0.10
PAULLIE GIFFORD				
3, Glenkinnox St, Edinburgh EH3 6YY 031-226 2581 (Dealers 031-226 0066)				
Intl Eq (22)	220.2	222.8	+7.9	1.57
Japan Ex (43)	213.3	221.1	..	0.43
UK Eq (31)	167.8	167.8	..	1.58
Pfsd Pens Intl	232.4	249.6	..	..
Pfsd Pens UK	141.0	148.5	..	..
BJ America	118.7	127.3●	+1.1	0.75
BG Energy	104.6	111.3	-1.6	1.93
BJ Income Growth	152.1	160.3●	+2.2	5.32
BJ Japan	94.9	101.0●	-1.2	0.21
BG Technology	154.7	164.6	+3.5	2.10
BARCLAYS UNICORN				
Unicorn House, 252, Romford Rd E7 01-534 5344				
America	72.7	77.3	+0.9	2.99
Do Income	143.5	152.8	-1.2	1.36
Capital	97.7	61.3	+1.0	3.64
Exempt Trust	325.0	329.7●	+1.0	6.33
Extra Income	57.7	61.3●	+1.0	6.33
Financial	103.1	202.2	+1.1	3.71
500	237.5	220.7	+8.1	3.78
General	112.5	120.0●	+2.0	3.09
Gilt & Fixed Inc	52.1	54.5	+0.2	10.52
Gr Pacific Accum	107.4	108.9	-0.3	0.69
Do Income	103.4	110.0	-0.2	0.69
Growth Accum	144.2	153.5	+1.3	3.64
Income Trust	254.6	281.4	+3.6	4.04
Leisure Trust	64.5	68.9	+1.0	1.63
Special Situations	114.9	122.3●	+2.5	3.10
Technology	149.2	158.7	+2.1	0.09
Trustee Fund	88.6	94.2	+1.5	3.58
Unv Tech Accum	42.8	45.5	+0.6	0.84
Do Income	40.2	42.8	+0.6	0.84
Worldwide Trust	103.7	110.7	+1.7	1.54
'B' Tst Inv Fund Acc	267.9	274.3●	+3.1	3.87
Do Inc	169.2	179.9●	-0.7	3.87
BARING FUND MANAGERS				
PO Box 158, Beulenham, Kent BR3 4XO 01-658 9002				
Australia	50.5	54.0	+0.3	0.80
Eastern	44.7	47.8	+0.6	1.00
Europe	65.4	69.8	+1.0	1.50
Growth & Inc	49.4	51.7	+1.0	3.90
Do Accum	72.6	77.6	+1.6	3.90
First Japan	48.2	51.5	+0.1	0.00
Japan Special	55.9	59.7	+1.2	0.00
Japan Sunrise	54.9	58.2	+1.3	0.50
First Smaller Co's	54.2	58.0●	-162.4	2.76
First Europe	57.5	61.3	-105.6	2.10
First Inv Assoc	41.7	44.5	+1.2	4.20
BARRINGTON MANAGEMENT				
59, Grechams St, London EC2P 2DS 01-606 4433				
European Inc	282.7	294.6	+5.5	1.92
Do Accum	345.2	359.5	+6.6	1.92
General Inc	123.7	131.4	+3.5	3.51
Do Accum	169.4	179.9	+3.3	3.51
Gilt Yield Inc	109.8	112.3	+0.1	10.00
Do Accum	164.8	168.8	+0.2	10.00

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High Yield Inc	67.1	71.4●	+1.2	6.56
Do Accum	122.2	137.5●	+2.1	6.56
Japan Income	131.9	139.8	+1.4	0.30
Do Accum	132.4	140.3	+1.4	0.30
N American Inc	200.6	210.9	+4.3	1.49
Do Accum	259.6	242.4	+4.9	1.49
Pacific Income	85.5	90.1●	+0.8	0.93
Do Accum	99.2	101.2●	+0.8	0.93
Smlr Co's Inc	303.3	322.7	+4.4	2.34
Do Accum	353.5	376.1	+5.1	2.34
BRITANNIA UNIT TRUST				
74-76 Finsbury Pavement London EC2A 1JD 01-588 3777 Dealing 01-638 0478/9				
Viewpoint 01-675 5666				
Growth Gilt	56.5	57.4	..	0.84
Intl Recovery	83.4	88.8●	-2.1	2.76
Smaller Co's	103.9	131.5	+1.5	1.48
UK Growth	21.4	23.5	+0.5	2.66
Extra Inc	50.7	54.1	-1.7	7.85
Gilt	26.4	27.8	..	11.21
Inc & Growth	160.9	171.6●	..	4.79
Nat High Inc	148.0	157.8●	+0.8	6.65
Prof Shares	17.5	18.8	+0.1	10.72
Commodity	125.4	133.8	-0.9	3.49
Financial Secs	39.1	41.7	+1.7	2.37
Gold & Gen	17.3	18.7	+0.4	3.82
Int Leisure	53.2	54.1	+0.3	1.86
Recovery	44.6	47.6●	+0.3	2.50
Trust Energy	48.9	51.8	+0.1	0.34
Unity Energy	37.1	39.6	+2.0	0.84
World Tech	82.4	87.9●	+1.0	3.69
Amer Growth	82.4	87.9●	+1.0	3.69
Amer Income	52.2	55.6	+0.4	4.45
Amer Smaller Co's	20.9	22.3	+0.5	2.04
Asst Growth	84.4	89.7●	+0.1	1.92
Euro Smaller	10.4	11.1 c	+0.2	1.41
Far East	35.5	37.9	+0.4	1.62
Hong Kong Prf	25.0	26.7	+0.6	3.04
Intl Growth	27.3	29.1●	..	2.08
Japan Perf	87.9	89.5	-1.1	..
Japan Smaller	9.0	9.6●	-0.2	..
Exempt	83.5	88.5	+0.5	4.09
Exempt Market	82.9	88.3	+0.5	4.25
BROWN SHIPLEY				
8-17, Pennymount Rd, Haywards Heath 0444 458143				
BS Fund Income	47.1	50.4	+0.5	4.47
Do Accum	77.6	83.1	+1.0	..
Financial	102.0	109.7	+2.1	2.89
Growth Accum	132.5	144.0●	+0.5	..
Do Income	99.8	107.1●	+0.3	1.82
High Income	51.1	55.0●	+2.1	7.28
Income	39.9	42.4●	+0.5	8.14
North American	48.2	49.5	+1.1	..
Orient	48.1	51.5	+0.1	0.84
Recovery	28.6	30.8	+0.5	3.66
Technology	113.0	121.5●	+2.6	0.76
Germen	23.5	25.0	..	2.00
BUCKMASTER MANAGEMENT				
10 Stock Exchange London EC2P 2JT 01-588 2868				
General Inc (4)	170.3	178.7	+0.2	4.55
Do Accum (4)	204.7	217.7	+0.4	4.55
Income Fund (3)	76.8	80.7●	+0.4	6.03
Do Accum (3)	132.0	132.6	+0.6	6.03
Capital (5)	97.6	102.2	+0.2	1.75
Inst Inc (2)	122.9	134.0	+0.2	1.75
Smaller Cos Inc (5)	843.5	917.2	+38.5	1.75
Do Accum (5)	891.3	965.9	+38.5	1.75
CS FUND MANAGERS				
125, High Holborn, London WC1V 6PY 01-242 1189				
CS Japan Fund	45.8	48.7	-0.3	0.44
CANNON FUND MANAGERS				
1, Arlington Way, Wembley, HA9 0NB 01-902 8876				
Growth	227.7	242.2	+5.2	3.86
Income	204.3	217.2	+4.6	..
Recovery	122.5	131.2	-0.3	0.74
North American	109.8	116.8	+2.6	1.49
CAREL (JAMES) MANAGEMENT				
100, Old Broad St, London EC2N 1BQ 01-588 6010				
Capital (2)	267.1	281.2●	+2.6	2.19
Income (3)	211.9	223.1●	+3.1	5.91
North American (3)	212.0	223.2	+1.6	2.19
CATER ALLEN				
1, King William St, EC4N 7AU 01-623 8314				
Gilt Trust	101.3	107.6	+0.4	11.26
CENTRAL BOARD OF FINANCE OF CHURCH OF ENG				
77 London Wall EC2 1DB 01-588 1815				
Inv Fund	331.25		..	4.97
Fixed Int	137.4		..	10.40
Deposit			..	11.20
CHARITIES OFFICIAL INVESTMENT FUND				
17, Lincoln Wall, London EC3N 1DB 01-588 1815				
Income	286.95 ●		..	5.95
Accum	948.27		..	..
CHIEFTAIN TRUST MANAGERS				
11, New Street, London EC2M 4TP 01-588 1815				
American	38.2	40.9	+0.9	0.67
Australian	19.8	21.2●	-0.2	0.48
Japan & General	81.7	88.0	-0.4	0.18
High Income	40.2	43.0	+0.6	8.48
International Trust	60.4	64.8	+1.4	0.31
Income Growth Trust	38.4	42.2	+0.5	4.83
Gilts & Fixed Int	19.2	20.6●	+0.1	12.07
Recovery Trust	29.2	31.5	+0.3	1.10
Special Situations	30.4	32.6 c	..	2.43
COUNTY BANK UNIT TRUSTS				
161, Cheapside, London EC2V 6EU 01-726 1999				
Capital Accum	227.7	242.2	+2.6	2.21
Fluarg Trust	44.8	47.6	+0.1	4.79
Extra Income	131.9	140.3●	+2.2	5.58
Financial	122.0	129.7	+2.1	2.98
Growth Accum	132.5	141.0	+2.2	1.77
Do Income	99.8	107.1●	+0.3	1.82
High Income	51.1	55.0●	+2.1	7.28
Income	39.9	42.4●	+0.5	8.14
North American	48.2	49.5	+1.1	..
Orient	48.1	51.5	+0.1	0.84
Recovery	28.6	30.8	+0.5	3.66
Technology	113.0	121.5●	+2.6	0.76
Germen	23.5	25.0	..	2.00
CROWN UNIT TRUST SERVICES				
Crown House, Woking GU21 1XW 04862 60300				
High Income Trust	177.7	190.1●	+5.0	6.05
Growth Trust	176.2	188.4	+4.4	3.61
American Trust	105.9	113.3	+3.6	0.89
EFM UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
4, Melville Crescent, Edinburgh 031-226 3462				
American Fund	55.2	59.0	+1.4	2.89
Capital Fund	62.5	66.8	+1.4	2.47
Growth & Inc Fund	106.7	113.1	+2.0	4.55
High Diet Fund	85.6	91.6	+1.1	6.54
International Fund	144.2	154.2	+3.0	1.46
Pacific Fund	21.0	22.3	..	0.31
Smlr Jap Co's Fnd	20.1	21.5	+0.4	0.10
Tokyo Fund	97.2	104.0	+1.5	0.24
(Ex) Amer (3)	113.0	117.6●	+3.4	2.55
(Ex) Income (3)	67.4	69.6	+1.2	5.74
(Ex) Pacific (4)	186.0	201.3	+0.9	2.01
(Ex) Smaller Jap (4)	123.1	124.0●	..	0.10
EAGLE STAR UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
Bath Road, Cheltenham, Gloucester GL53 7LQ 0242 521311				

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UK Balanced Inc	48.0	52.2	+1.3	..
Do Accum	48.0	52.3	+1.3	..
UK Growth Accum	48.5	52.8	+1.5	..
UK High Inc Inc	48.5	51.7	+1.5	..
N American Accum	48.0	51.2	+0.5	..
Far Eastern Accum	48.5	49.6	+0.5	..
European Accum	49.3	51.5	+1.3	..
UK Gilt & Fi Inc	47.3	50.4	+0.2	..
Do Accum	47.3	50.4	+0.2	..
EQUITABLE UNITS ADMINISTRATION				
36, Fountain St, Manchester 061-236 5685				
Equitable Pelican	296.2	315.2●	+6.0	3.95
High Income Trust	59.7	63.5	+1.5	5.88
Gilt & Fixed Int	59.1	58.3	+2.6	9.16
Tst Of Inv Trusts	82.8	88.2	+0.9	1.36
Special Sits Trust	58.5	62.4●	+1.3	3.07
Nth Amer Trust	44.4	47.3●	+0.3	0.72
Far Eastern Trust	46.8	51.2	+0.1	0.72
EQUITY & LAW				
St. George Hse Corporation St, Coventry CV1 19D 0203 553231				
UK Growth Accum	118.3	125.8●	+1.2	4.01
Do Income	104.0	110.6●	+0.6	4.91
Higher Inc Accum	182.2	193.8●	+2.8	3.77
Do Income	140.3	159.2●	+2.4	5.27
Gilts/Fixed Accum	91.2	96.9	+0.3	2.03
Do Income	79.1	83.2	+0.2	2.03
Nth Amer Tst Accum	110.0	117.0●	+2.7	0.54
Far East Tst Accum	90.4	96.1●	-0.7	1.05
Euro Tst Accum	89.3	105.6●	+2.5	1.36
General Trust	181.8	193.3●	+2.2	3.43
F & C UNIT MANAGEMENT				
7, Lawrence Pountney Hill, London EC4R 0BA 01-623 4680				
American Fund	60.0	64.2●	+0.5	0.29
Capital Fund	84.5	90.0●	+0.5	0.58
Recovery Fund	82.4	88.1	+1.1	0.01
Far Eastern Fund	51.0	54.6●	+0.3	0.55
Overseas Income	55.6	59.5	+1.1	4.65
Fixed Interest	88.2	92.6	+0.1	9.36
Natural Res Fund	45.2	48.7	-0.3	2.59
European Income	50.0	..	..	6.00
FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL				
Rose Wells, Tonbridge, TN9 1DY 0732 362222				
American	76.3	82.1	+0.5	1.50
Amer Equity Income	39.1	39.1	+0.4	5.53
Amer Special Sits	44.8	47.9	+0.1	0.47
Far East Inc	25.1	26.8	-0.1	4.04
Gilt & Fixed Inc	23.7	25.6●	..	9.63
Growth & Income	76.2	81.6	+1.8	5.13
Japan Special Sits	24.4	26.1	..	..
Japan Trust	74.1	79.7	+0.9	..
Managed Int Tst	92.1	98.6	+2.5	0.97
Max Income Equity	61.0	65.6	+1.5	5.56
Professional Gilt	29.5	29.4	+0.1	11.37
South East Asia Tst	26.5	28.5●	-0.1	0.96
Special Sits	114.5	122.2	+1.7	1.33
FINLAY (JAMES)				
10-14, West Nile St, Glasgow 041-204 1321				
JF International (6)	57.3	61.6●	+0.9	1.83
JF Balanced (5)	73.4	78.9●	+1.1	1.83
JF High Income (3)	56.1	60.3●	+1.1	7.39
JF Income Growth (3)	54.8	58.9●	+0.8	2.13
JF World Energy (3)	20.7	22.2●	+0.4	0.77
JF Inv Trust (3)	84.2	90.5●	-1.1	3.12
Do Accum (3)	122.9	132.1●	-1.6	3.12
FLEMING (ROBERT)				
8, Crosby Sq, London EC3A 6AN 01-638 5858				
American Exempt	£287.51	293.49●	+7.82	2.10
Japan Exempt	£287.53	244.90	+5.23	1.46
Am Property Tst	£11,422.0	●	..	6.12
Property Trust	£2,065.0	●	..	6.12
FRAMLINGTON MANAGEMENT				
3, London Wall Bldgs, London Wall, London EC2M 5ND 01-628 6181				
Amer & Gen Income	175.5	188.8	+5.3	1.10
Do Accum	182.4	194.0	+5.2	1.10
Amer Turnaround Inc	169.0	179.8	+3.9	2.13
Do Accum	174.8	185.9	+4.0	2.13
Capital Tst Income	163.6	174.0●	+2.1	3.30
Do Accum	195.4	207.8●	+2.7	3.30
Conv & Gilt Income	73.0	82.6	+0.4	6.65
Do Accum	99.4	105.6	+0.5	6.65
Extra Inc Tst Income	139.4	153.0	+2.1	5.72
Do Accum	185.8	139.8	+2.1	5.72
Income Trust	92.4	98.3	+1.2	5.39
Do Accum	94.0	99.8	+2.2	5.39
Im Growth Fd Income	129.6	139.6●	+2.4	0.49
Do Accum	142.6	151.6●	+2.6	0.49
Japan & Gen Income	54.2	57.6	-0.4	0.49
Do Accum	54.8	58.0	-0.4	0.49
Monthly Income Fund	60.0	65.6●	+1.3	5.88
Recovery	97.0	103.1	+1.7	3.46
Do Accum	104.2	110.8	+1.7	3.46
FRIENDS PROVIDENT MANAGERS				
Pixham End, Dorking, Surrey 0306 885055				
FP Equity Dist	167.2	175.9	+2.7	2.67
Do Accum	272.5	288.4	+4.7	2.67
FP Fixed Int Dist	107.2	114.5	+0.4	8.44
Do Accum	116.3	123.9	+0.5	8.44
Stewardship Dist	139.2	147.3	+0.9	1.94
Do Accum	141.7	149.9	+0.9	1.94
FUNDS IN COURT				
Public Trustee, Kingsway, WC2 01-405 4300				
Capital	282.9	299.3●	+0.6	3.31
Gronc Inc	129.2	137.3	+0.3	5.74
High Yield	177.0	183.6	+0.3	6.91
GT UNIT MANAGERS				
6th Floor, 8, Cavendishe Sq, London EC2M 4YJ 01-283 2576 Dealing 01-628 9431				
UK Cap Fnd Inc	76.1	81.4	+0.2	2.20
Do Accum	107.2	114.7	+0.2	2.20
Income Fund	84.3	90.2●	+1.1	4.66
Pension Exempt	123.0	133.5	+0.7	2.40
International	105.0	113.4	+1.3	1.00
US & General	44.4	47.5	+1.9	1.30
Far East & Gen	133.8	143.2	+2.3	..
Japan & General	136.3	145.8	-1.2	0.49
Far East & Gen	70.8	75.8	+0.7	1.47
European Fund	126.1	161.5	+1.1	0.80
Sterling Inc Fund	47.3	51.3	+1.0	1.89
GARTMORE UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
2, St Mary Axe, London EC3A 8BP 01-623 1212 Dealing 01-623 5766 04862 60300				
American Trust	73.9	78.4	+3.4	0.27
Australian Trust	20.0	21.3	+0.1	0.27
British Tst Accum	47.4	50.5	+0.9	2.73
Do Dist	42.1	44.8	+0.7	2.73
Commodity Share	80.4●	84.5	+0.3	1.15
European Trust	32.6	34.7	+0.6	0.65
Extra Income Trust	39.3	41.9	+0.3	6.02
Far Eastern Trust	81.1	85.2●	+0.3	0.49
Fixed Interest Fund	23.3	24.8●	+0.1	10.26
Gilt Trust	23.8	25.3●	+0.1	10.26
Global Fund Accum	117.1	124.6	-0.9	0.41
Do Dist	112.6	119.8	-0.8	0.41
Growth Recovery	13.0	13.9	+0.1	0.10
Hedged American	23.1	24.6	+1.5	0.10
High Income Trust	169.2	116.2	+1.6	6.84
Hong Kong Trust	26.3	28.0	+0.4	0.56
Income Fund	24.2	25.8	+1.3	4.12
Insurance Agences	137.89	40.47	+0.44	2.63
Japan Trust	83.4	89.2	-2.0	..
Managed Exempt	220.8	280.0●	+2.5	3.96
Oil & Energy Trust	95.3	97.5	+0.3	0.96
Special Sits Trust	79.4	83.1	+0.1	2.44
UK Smlr Co's Rec Tst	55.1	58.7●	+1.4	1.27
GOVETT (JOHN) UNIT MANAGEMENT				
Winchester Hse, 77, London Wall, London EC2N 1DA 01-588 5829				
Intl Growth	60.5	64.7	+0.9	1.47
American Growth	48.0	52.4	+1.6	-0.04
American Inc	58.1	58.9●	+0.4	3.34
European Growth	122.8	130.7●	+2.5	0.34
Gold & Minerals	45.0	45.1	-0.6	1.73
Japan Growth	92.1	90.4	+1.3	..
Pacific Income	60.4	64.5	-0.7	4.56
UK Special Opps	66.4	73.1	+0.6	2.48
GRE UNIT MANAGERS				
Forest Exchange, EC3P 3DN 01-588 2800				
Gilt & Fixed Int	114.5	116.8	+2.8	9.55
Growth Equity	165.0	175.6	+2.1	2.49
Guaranti	239.5	248.1	+2.4	3.44
N American	112.8	120.6●	+1.3	1.38
Pacific	138.4	147.3●	+1.9	0.58
Property Shere	182.9	194.8	+1.5	2.03
Smaller Companies	163.8	175.1●	+2.3	2.14
European Trust	141.5	150.8	+3.3	0.61
GUINNESS MAHON UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
PO Box 442, 32, St Mary-at-Hill London EC3P 3AJ 01-623 9333				
High Income	43.6	46.1●	+0.7	8.02
N Amer Trust	95.8	101.9●	+2.2	1.01
Recovery	135.3	144.0●	+0.9	3.46
Gilt Trust	38.3	38.7	-0.7	0.46
St Vincent Inc	68.0	71.2	+0.9	5.63
St Vincent US Gth	68.7	72.7	+1.4	1.09
Electra Small Co's	125.56	132.47	..	4.07
F & C UNIT MANAGEMENT				
7, Lawrence Pountney Hill, London EC4R 0BA 01-623 4680				
American Fund	60.0	64.2●	+0.5	0.29
Capital Fund	84.5	90.0●	+0.5	0.58
Recovery Fund	82.4	88.1	+1.1	0.01
Far Eastern Fund	51.0	54.6●	+0.3	0.55
Overseas Income	55.6	59.5	+1.1	4.65
Fixed Interest	88.2	92.6	+0.1	9.36
Natural Res Fund	45.2	48.7	-0.3	2.59
European Income	50.0	..	..	6.00
HAMBROS BANK UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
Premier Unit Admin, 8, Rayleigh Rd, Brentwood Essex 0277 217916				
Hambros Smlr Co's	93.2	99.1	+1.4	2.58
Hambros N Amer	54.0	57.4	+1.0	1.13
Hambros Jap & F E	79.2	74.7●	-0.7	0.66
Hambros Income	52.7	56.0	+1.1	2.64
Hambros European	69.1	73.5	+0.2	1.42
Hambros Canadian	39.7	41.2 c	-0.9	2.01
Hambros Equity Inc	66.8	71.1	+1.3	5.44
HENDERSON ADMINISTRATION				
Premier UT Administration 5, Rayleigh Rd, Hutton Brentwood Essex 0277-217288				
Special Sits Inc	104.1	111.8●	+1.1	1.22
Do Accum	145.2	156.1●	+1.5	1.22
Recovery Trust	77.7	83.6	+2.0	3.34
Capital Growth Inc	46.2	49.7●	+0.5	5.40
Do Accum	55.1	59.8●	+0.1	1.63
Income Assets	88.4	94.0	+1.3	4.01
Financial Trust	105.0	112.9	+2.1	2.56
Income & Growth Inc	115.4	122.7	+1.4	5.70

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GOLF: SPAIN ELIMINATED FROM CUP AS WOOSNAM AND PARKIN WIN AND LLEWELLYN HOLDS BALLESTEROS

Surprise triumph for Wales

By Mitchell Platts

Wales produced the upset of the Dunhill Cup by eliminating Spain, the third seeds, at St Andrew's yesterday. Even Severiano Ballesteros had a nasty scare, narrowly averting a personal defeat when his opponent, David Llewellyn, let him off the hook on the last hole.

The surprise Welsh triumph came when Ian Woosnam and Philip Parkin defeated Manuel Piñero and Jose-Maria Cañizares respectively. Ballesteros's half with Llewellyn did not matter in the end.

Yet it was a disappointment for Llewelly that he was unable to complete a Welsh "whitewash" as he had led by two strokes standing on the 18th tee. Fifteen months ago, Ballesteros provided one of the most emotional picures of the 1984 sporting year when he repeatedly punched the air with joy after sinking a 15ft putt on the last green to win the Open at the home of golf.

Yesterday Ballesteros coaxed a putt of similar length into the hole for a birdie three and, with Llewellyn contriving to miss from three feet, and take three putts for a five, the Spaniard had wriggled off the hook. Ballesteros's grasp of the English language has rarely been better illustrated than when he said afterwards: "David choked, but too late".

Halving a match with a player of Ballesteros's stature was a compliment to the resilience of Llewellyn, who less than a week ago suffered the disappointment of losing a play-off for the Cannes Open to Robert Lee. Llewellyn produced a score of 71, one under par.



Cheeky chappie: Ian Woosnam, the captain (left) and David Llewellyn celebrate

And Wales, among the outsiders when the tournament began, were through to the semi-finals, having beaten Spain, 2½-½.

Woosman and Parking had made their win possible. Woosnam birdied three of the last six holes for a 69 to beat Piñero by one shot, and Parkin, holed three good putts for successive birdies from the thirteenth to move clear of Cañizares, with a 67 to a 69.

Wales will now meet Australia, who overcame England 2-1. Nick Faldo provided further evidence of returning to form by putting together a 69, which included a rare birdie at the "Road Holes", to comprehensively beat Graham Marsh (73). The crucial game, however, was that in which Greg Norman beat Howard Clark with a 69 to a 70.

The United States, the No 1 seeds, continued to emphasize their marvellous form, when for the second successuve day, their three palyers, Curtis Strange (67, Ray Floyd (69) and Mark O'Meara (69), were all under par, this time in beating New Zealand, 3-0. Scotland will be their opponents in the other semi-final, following a fine 3-0 win over Japan. Sandy Lyle, inspired by four successive birdies from the third, was round in 67 in beating Massy Kuramoto (70), and Sam Torrance put together a flawless 68 to overcome Isao Aoki (71).

Today's semi-finals

Wales v Australia: 9.00: P Parkin v G Norman; 9.15: D Llewellyn V G Marsh; 9.30: I Woosnam v D Graham.

United States v Scotland: 1.00: M O'Meara v S Lyle; 1.15: C Strange v S Torrance; 1.30: R Floyd v G Brand jnr.

Quarter-finals

United States beat New Zealand 3-0.
M O'Meara, 69 bt B Charles, 70; C Strange, 67 bt F Nitsko, 75; R Floyd 69, bt S Reese, 72.
Scotland beat Japan 3-0.
S Lyle, 67 bt M Kuramoto, 70; S Torrence, 68, bt I Aoki, 71; G Brand Jnr, 72 bt K Arai 73.
Wales beat Spain 2½ – ½.
I Woosnam, 69 bt M Piñero 70; D Llewellyn, 71 halved with S Ballesteros, 71; P Parkin, 67 bt J M Cañizares 69.
Australia beat England 2-1.
G Norman, 69 bt H Clark, 70; D Graham, 69 bt P Way, 72; G Marsh, 73 lost to N Faldo, 69.

Davies can afford to smile in her first year

The Women's Professional Golf Association season ended at La Manga yesterday with trophies for Alison Sheard, of South Africa and Laura Davies, of Surrey. Miss Sheard held off Marta Figueras-Dotti, the only Spanish woman professional to win the Spanish Open and Miss Davies was spared any anxiety in winning the 1985 order of merit, in her first season as a professional from Jane Connaghan, of Scotland.

Miss Sheard had a closing round of 72, two under par, to round off an impressively consistent sequence of 71, 70, 72 and 72, and beat Miss Figueras-Dotti by two strokes. Miss Figueras-Dotti emulated the South African's 72 yesterday but she had begun the day two strokes behind.

The two players stood on the 14th tee all square, Miss Figueras-Dotti having made good that two strokes deficit in spite of a South African eagle three at the 4th. The 14th, however, restored the status quo ante with the Spaniard answering Miss Sheard's birdie 3 with a 5. Miss Figueras-Dotti was also in a ravine at the easy par 5 15th (390yds) and her chance was gone.

Miss Davies and Miss Connaghan both took 76, Miss Davies finishing a tied 8th on 293 and Miss Connaghan tied 26th on 301. With the £547 she won yesterday Miss Davies carried her final haul in official prize money to £21,736, to which Ring & Brymer, the sponsors of the order of merit, add a further £2,500.

Taking into account £1,233 from Pro-Ams and a £6,000 bonus from her sponsors, IBM, on top of her contractual arrangements, Miss Davies has made a lucrative start to her professional career.

LEADING SCORES (British names unless stated): 285: A Sheard (SA) 71, 70, 72, 72; 287: M Figueras-Dotte (Sp) 75, 67, 70, 72; 288: K Monaghan (US) 77, 68, 72, 71; M Wennerstan (Swe) 73, 72, 71, 72; 288: C Waite 75, 74, 71, 69 (best round of day). 291: D Dowling 73, 74, 73, 71; 292: R Comstock (US) 72, 72, 73, 75; 293: L Davies 73, 6y9, 75, 76; V Marvin 74, 73, 74, 72; B Huke 74, 74, 73, 72; G Stewart 76, 72, 71, 74; 294: L Neumann (Swe) 74, 75, 72, 73; 295: D Reid 73, 77, 70, 75; 296: E Glass (Zim) 74, 75, 73, 74; 297: M Thomson 72, 76, 75, 75; J Forrest 75, 72, 77, 73.

RUGBY UNION

Ireland's best can expect to beat Fiji

By David Hands, Rugby Correspondent

Any kind of warm-up game before the cold rigours of winter and the five nations championship is welcome and so the Irish and French selectors will watch with interest the games at Lansdowne Road and Dax today. The opposition is expected to be modest for the two countries who, last season, finished first and second in the championship table, though Michael Doyle, the Irish coach, will bear in mind the words of Josaia Taka, the Fijian manager, when his team reached Britain.

Dr Taka, expressing the hope that his team would win at least one of the two internationals, said he expected success against the country "that takes us lightly". Ireland will not take Fiji lightly in Dublin and the French, despite the beatings handed out by various French regional teams thus far, will remember that Japan took Wales all the way in Cardiff two years ago.

Realistically, Ireland should win by some 20 points. Hugo MacNeill, their full back, who is now working in London, said recently that it was like a club atmosphere—when the Irish squad gets together for training weekends and there has been little change from the team which won the triple crown last season. Ringland, on the right wing, and Carr, the flanker, are unavailable because of injury but, otherwise, it is Ireland's best.

"As far as I am concerned – and I have emphasized this to the players – this is a full international, and we have prepared accordingly," Ciaran Fitzgerald, the Irish captain, and said yesterday. It is only the second occasion on which the two countries have met; the first was in Suva in 1976 when Ireland won 8–0.

The Fijians play 13 of the team which lost to Cardiff a week ago. The pack is the same but the penetrative Niuqula, a centre that day, has been moved to stand-off half which allows Laulau and Cama to play in the centre. Turuva, at full back, is another with the skill and confidence to play attacking rugby and, if Ireland adopt the attacking colours which they nailed to their mast last season, it should be a spectacular game.

One's mind goes back, though, to last season's Ireland-France match when the Irish indicated they could close the game up as well as anyone, though on that occasion they were hit badly by injuries. That is the fail-safe for British and Irish sides, which the Fijians, with their lack of scrummaging and limited tactical kicking, do not have and perhaps we should be grateful they do not. Thereby, they can remind us of a purer version of the game which is not readily available in the four home countries.

IRELAND: H P MacNeill (London Irish); M J Kiernan (Dolphin), B J Mullin (Dublin University), J A Hewitt (NIFC), K D Crossan (Instonians); P M Dean (St Mary's College), M T Bradley (Cork Constitution); P A Orr (Old Wesley), C F Fitzgerald (St Mary's College, captain), J J McCoy (Bangor), P M Matthews (Ards), W A Anderson (Dungannon), D G Lenihan (Cork Constitution), W J Saxton (Garryowen), B J Spillane (Bohemians).
FIJI: E Tenuve (Nadi); J Dawai (St John Marist), T Cama (Nabua), S Lasaro (Nawaka), S Tuvula (Western Marine); A Niuqila (Nakelo), P Nawaki (St John Marist); S Naituki (Rewa), E Rakai (Gaunavou), R Namoro (Lutu), I Finau (St Mary's), K Rakarai (Army/Navy), A Hughes (St John Marist), P Gata (Nadi), E Talani (Army/Navy, captain).
Referee: W D Bevan (Wales).



MacNeill: 'club atmosphere'

England join Wales

England have joined Wales in accepting an invitation to play in the world tournament for the Webb Ellis Trophy in 1987 (David Hands writes). The Rugby Football Union's full committee discussed the invitation yesterday and their decision leaves Ireland and Scotland still to decide on an issue which has caused many misgivings.

The RFU have also agreed on yet another report on a "comprehensive structure for clubs" in an endeavour to draw together the miscellaneous threads of the hotchpotch of merit tables and pilot league schemes.

The committee did feel more information should be available on what the secretary, Air Commodore Bob Weighill, described as the "nuts and bolts" of the world tournament which is to be staged in New Zealand and Australia. But there was seldom any likelihood of any other decision which would have been a source of embarrassment to John Kendall-Carpenter, the chairman of the International Board's world tournament governing committee and a member of the RFU.

In their discussion on merit tables, the RFU committee approved the formation of a third national table, to be called C, with the proviso that there was no link with the existing John Smith's merit tables A and B. The competition sub-committee will offer a progress report on an overall national structure to next year's annual meeting.

Wasps in good heart for Cardiff

By David Hands

Three of English club rugby's unbeaten records come under severe threat today, although that trio does not include Bath, whose fraternal confrontation with Bristol is the only John Smith's merit table game. Wasps, who beat Bristol last weekend, probe further into the west and play Cardiff; Rosslyn Park make the short trip to Harlequins and Waterloo entertain Nottingham.

Cardiff, somewhat at odds with themselves this season, will be without Norster at lock and their B full back, Rees, whereas Wasps will be at strength, save at stand-off half where Rayner deputizes for the injured Russell. Should Wasps claim such a notable Welsh scalp it will be cause for celebration indeed.

Their London rivals, Rosslyn Park, will be happy too if they can get past almost the same Harlequins team which scored 40 points against Gloucester last weekend. The only change in Harlequin ranks restores Jackson to lock while the Park captain, Simon Henderson, moves to loose-head prop after an injury to Kingston.

Park have enjoyed themselves this season; as a merit table B club they have tickled the ribs of table A representatives, London Scottish and Gosforth, and will endeavour to do the same to Harlequins. Moreover, in Henderson they have just the kind of player who should do well under the new scrummaging laws; he is not only good enough to pull his weight in the front row but tall enough to be a nuisance at the lineout.

Nottingham, whose only absentee is the injured England flanker, Rees, provide Waterloo with their most difficult game so far. Waterloo's progress this season has been positively stately but they would be the first to agree that scoring 70 points against Manchester does not prove a great deal. Syddall and Heslop, their Lancashire representatives, came through against Yorkshire in midweek with only pride dented and they hope that Cotter, their goal-kicking wing, has recovered from a hamstring injury.

Horton, guiding light of so many Bath victories, will be absent for the clash of his old club with Bristol, his new club. He has a groin injury and will watch his school team instead, leaving Tainton to play stand-off in the West Country derby. Bristol have a doubt over Harding, their scrum half, who has damaged rib cartilages.

The Devon disciplinary committee have suspended Turton, the Plymouth Albion captain, and his No 8 Russell, until October 29 after the pair were sent off against Tredegar on September 28. They were dismissed for questioning the decisions of Peter Blake, the Welsh referee.

HOCKEY

Indian turn to learn

By Sydney Friskin

India 0
Soviet Union 2

India and the Soviet Union treated an enthusiastic crowd to a fine exhibition of hockey when the four nations tournament, sponsored by Intercraft, began at Willesden yesterday.

In the early 1970s much of Soviet Union hockey improved under Indian influence and yesterday they showed that they had learned much from their masters. Like most European sides they have found a great goalkeeper, Vladimir Pleshakov, who came to their rescue early in the second half to make a great save off Gundep Kumar.

Twelve minutes into the half Goncharov put the Soviet Union ahead from a short corner, and soon afterwards Sharonov, a substitute, made it 2-0.

The contrast in style was clearly marked. The Soviet Union were faster and fitter and more direct in their approach, India preferred to advance with subtle variations of pace and direction.

India took 12 minutes to find their rhythm and their first assault nearly led to a score, Thoiba Singh crossing from the left to Gundeep Kumar, who was unable to control his shot.

The pace quickened and in the heat of some lively midfield exchanges Ryzhkov was given a yelow temporary suspension card.

INDIA: R S Rawat; M Topno, Pargat Singh, M Kuleit, J Carvalho, Vivek Singh, Abdul Aziz, Gundeep Kumar, Mohammed Shahid (capt), J Felix, Thoiba Singh.

SOVIET UNION: V Pleshakov; V Belikov, S Alrapetian, F Zigangirov (capt), S Kalimbaev, I Ryzkhov, A Miesnikov, M Bukatin, M Nichepurenko, S Pleshakov, A Goncherov.
Umpires: G D Nash and R Wilson (England).

HORSE TRIALS

Frenchman leading the charge

From Jenny MacArthur
Boekelo, The Netherlands

Robert Lemieux and The Gamemaster, who are competing in their first three-day event since Badminton last year, made an impressive return yesterday when their outstanding dressage test put them into second place at the three-day event.

With Vincent Berthet, a student at the French cavalry school in Saumur, taking over first place on his Breda three-day event winner Kopino, the early West Germany stranglehold on the dressage was broken yesterday. Their highest-placed rider is Gerd Sybrecht, overnight leader on Thursday, now lying third on Bertoni and fifth on his second horse Wichtelmann.

The Gamemaster's long absence from eventing was due first to a virus contracted at Los Angeles last year where Lemieux was the Olympic reserve rider, and then, when everything was coming right again, the striking-looking nine-year-old gelding, owned by Beefeater Steakhouses, strained a shoulder after finishing third at Gatcombe in August.

The true test for the horse will come over today's cross-country course where time will play a crucial role as the round is so flat. Lemieux will be putting his foot down "I have nothing to lose" he said yesterday.

Lucinda Green, who performed a typically workmanlike and accurate test on Shannagh was "delighted" with her score of 46.80 which has put her into seventh place. Fenella Fawcus, who rode a better test on her dual Windsor winner Blue Max II was disappointed with her test. Nevertheless she is lying in sixth place. Bruce Davidson helped the American team to move into first place with a fine performance on the thoroughbred Dr Peaches which has left him handily placed in fourth position.

Helen Ogden on Streetlighter and Lorna Clarke on Danville, the two British team members to do their tests yesterday, are lying 25th and 30th. Mrs Clarke's mark appeared ungenerous.

RESULTS: Individual (after dressage): 1, Kopino (V Berthet, Fr) 38.80; 2, The Gamesmaster (R Lemieux, GB) 42; 3, Bertoni (G Sybrecht, WG) 43.20; 4, Dr Peaches (B Davidson, US) 43.40; 5, Wichtelmann (G Sybrecht, WG) 46.20; 6, Blue Max II (F Fawcus, GB) 46.40; 7, Shannagh (L Green, GB) 46.80; 8, The Mole (R Ehrenbrink, WG) 48; 9, Imp (S Richter, WG) 48.60; 10 Autumn Breeze (E Stibbe, Neth) 49.20. Teams (after dressage): 1, US, 148.20; 2, France, 151.60; 3, W Germany, 156.0; 4, GB, 168.2; 5, Poland, 173.2; 6, The Netherlands, 178; 7, Sweden, 182.2.

Nijboer entry

New York (Reuter) – Gerard Nijboer, of the Netherlands, silver medalist in the 1980 Olympic marathon, has entered the New York City marathon. Nijboer, 30, is the second-fasest marathon runner, after Ahmed Aleh, of Djibouti, to enter the race arranged for October 27.

RUGBY LEAGUE

British testing time

By Keith Macklin

After months of intensive preparation and squad training Great Britain prepare to restore their self respect and international prestige at Headingley today. They meet New Zealand in the first of three internationals which will decide whether Maurice Bamford and the Great Britain management team have got it right at last, and produced a team to cope with not merely the Kiwis but the Australians next year.

No one knows better than Bamford that it will not be easy. The New Zealanders have made remarkable strides as an international rugby league force under their persuasive coach Graham Lowe, and in their last major international game they beat the world champions, Australia, 18–0.

The Kiwis are strengthened this afternoon by Anglo-Kiwis, in particular the powerful quartet from Hull, Leuluai, Ah Kuoi, O'Hara and Kemble, and the powerful Hull Kingston Rovers centre, Prohm.

Against them, Great Britain field a squad which has an outstanding back division, but a set of forwards with question marks against them.

In the disappointments of the past decade of international failure, Great Britain have always been less than the sum of their individual parts.

GREAT BRITAIN: M Burke (Widnes); D Drummond (Leigh), G Schofield (Hull), E Hanley (Wigan), J Lydon (Widnes); T Myler (Widnes), D Fox (Featherstone Rovers); L Crooks (Hull), D Watkinson (Hull KR), J Fieldhouse (Widnes), I Potter (Wigan). A Goodway (Wigan), H Pinner (St Helens). Substitutes: D Hulme (Widnes), G Ankwright (St Helens).
NEW ZEALAND: J Leuluai; D O'Hara, F Ah Kuoi, G Prohm, D Bell; O Filipaina, C Friend; D Sorenson, H Tamati, K Sorenson, M Graham, O Wright, H McGahan. Substitutes: K Tamati, G Kemble.
Referee: B Gomersall (Brisbane).

Baird moves in as Tait stands firm

By Ian McLauchlan

The refusal of Scotland "B" centre, Alastair Tait, to play on the wing has caused him to be omitted from the Kelso side to meet West of Scotland. The border club have selected the international winger, Roger Baird, in the mid-field. Even so, one cannot see a future for Baird as a centre, while Tait is a young man of great promise.

West, who have been narrowly beaten in both their league games make one change. Robertson is at centre in place of Lewis who has a leg injury.

Hawick travel to play Edinburgh Academicals without their flanker, Turnbull, who broke his arm last week. Kevin Campbell brother of Alistair, the international, is his replacement. Edinburgh Academicals welcome back their captain, Charlie Richardson to join his brother, Jeremy, in their pack. Brand replaces Brown, who is injured, at hooker.

Boroughmair make three forward changes in the side to play Selkirk. Galbraith, Johnstone and Edwards are all injured and are replaced by Watson, who returns from "retirement", Graham and Darling, who has been transformed from a centre to a lock, which is not easy. Selkirk are unchanged.

The most entertaining game in the league today will undoubtedly be a Melrose where the visitors are Watsonians.

FOR THE RECORD

BADMINTON

BOURNEMOUTH: British Airways Masters (GB unless stated): men's singles, first round: I Frederiksen (Den) bt Zhang Qingwu (China), 17–16, 16–10; G Milton bt N Wheatley, 18–15, 15–3; J P Nierhoff (Den) bt S Wiyatno (Indo), 15–9, 15–10; V Kumar (India) bt J Ford, 15–5, 15–8; T Carlsen (Den) bt M Elliott, 8–15, 15–7, 15–5. Second round: M Frost (Den) bt Chan Kang (China), 15–4, 15–6; N Yates bt P Sutton, 15–8, 15–10; L Pongoh (Indo) bt A Nielsen, 15–6, 15–5; S Butler bt I Coene (Neth), 15–17, 15–6. Quarter-finals: M Frost (Den) bt N Yates, 15–9, 15–7; Frederiksen bt Pongoh, 15–4, 15–11; Butler bt Milton, 15–12, 17–18; H Saputra (Indo) bt V Kumar (India), 15–12, 15–10. Women's singles: H Troke bt Tang Jiuhong (China), 11–7, 11–8; C Gey bt P Hamilton, 11–8, 11–0; G Gowers bt J Falardeau (Can), 11–6, 11–1; Ruan Xiaoqing (China) bt K Beckman, 12–10, 11–5; E Coene (Neth) bt Yang Xinfang (China), 8–11, 11–4, 11–7; Zhang Jian (China) bt F Elliott, 11–0, 11–1; K Larsen (Den) bt A Fisher, 11–2, 11–2. Quarter-finals: Troke bt Gey, 11–10, 11–8; Gowers bt M Minhua (China), 11–5, 4–11, 11–8; Xiaoqing bt E Coene, 11–3, 11–8; Larsen bt Jian, 12–10, 11–12, 11–6.

BASKETBALL

CARLSBERG NATIONAL LEAGUE: First division (Thursday): Manchester Giants 80, Manchester United 73; Birmingham Bullets 91, QRS Sunderland 68. Corrected result from Wednesday: Brunel Uxbridge and Camden 75, Sparrings Solent Stars 74.

BOWLS

MANCHESTER: Liverpool Victoria Insurance Superbowl: Second round: J Conlan bt D Cutler, 6-7, 7-5, 7-6; D Bryant bt N Fletcher, 7-0, 5-7, 7-5; J Baker bt R Britton, 7-2, 7-5; Jeanette Conlan bt D Cutler, 6-7, 7-5, 7-6; T Poole bt Sylvia Jones, 7-1, 7-0; W Wood bt J Bell, 7-4, 7-2; N Burrows bt Julie Davies, 6-7, 7-3, 7-6; F McCarney bt N Shew, 7-1, 2-7, 7-3. Quarter-finals: Bryant bt J Boyle, 7-2, 7-2; Conlon bt Baker, 7-3, 7-5; Wood bt Poole, 7-1, 7-4; Burrows bt McCarney, 7-2, 7-6.

CYCLING

WEST BERLIN: six-day race, first day: 1, D Clark (Aus) and H H Oersted (Den), 40 points; 2, C Tourne and E de Wilde (Bel) 46, one lap behind; 3, J Schapenoff (WG) and A Doyle (GB), 21; 4, M Argentin (It) and R Pijnen (Neth) 18, both two laps behind.

GOLF

SOUTH SHIELDS: Golf Foundation schools tournament: 1, Boldon, 236; 2, Queen Elizabeth, Hexham 248; 3, Hummersknott, Darlington, 250.
ROYAL WIMBLEDON: Golf Foundation schools tournament: 1, Latymer Upper, Hammersmith, 237; 2, Collingwood, Camberley, 242; D E Burgh, Tadworth, 247.
CONCORD: New South Wales Open championship, second round (Australian unless stated): 135: I Stanley 68, 67. 138: R Swanson 69, 69; G Alexander 67, 71; L Stephen 68, 70; S Harper (Can), 69, 69. 139: T Gayle 68, 70; B King, 65, 74. 140: P Fowler 68, 72; P Dolby, 69, 71. Other score: 142: B Langer (WG), 68, 74.
ROYAL CINQUE PORTS: Ryder Cup Part 8, Walker Cup Part 4. Scores (professionals first): P Allies and B Hunt bt B Critchley and P Benka 3 and 2; P Townsend and C Clark bt J Davies and G Coah 5 and 4; N Drew and G Will lost to P Hedges and D Frame 19th; K Bousfield and Geoff Hunt halved with I Caldwell and D Marsh; J Jacobs and H Boyle lost to J Carr and M Christmas 3 and 2; Guy Hunt and P Butler bt M Lunt and M Attenborough 3 and 2; Allies and Drew halved with Hedges and Coah; Geoff Hunt and Clarke bt Davies and Benka two holes; Jacobs and B Hunt lost to Caldwell and Lunt, 19th; Townsend and Guy Hunt bt Critchley and Frame, 4 and 3; Bousfield and Boyle bt Marsh and Carr, 4 and 3; Will and Butler bt Christmas and Attenborough, 5 and 4.
PENSACOLA: Men's tournament, first round scores (US unless stated): 63: J Cook. 66: E Fiori; G Powers; R Black; G Morgan; T Simpson. 68: D Thorpe; A Bean; B Kratzert; D Pooley, British scores: 68: K Brown.
SUGAR LAND, Texas: LPGA T'aar qualifying tournament, third round: 222: J Gibson, 72, 74, 76; B Davies, 74, 77, 71. 223: D Skinner, 76, 72, 75; I Frederickson, 74, 75, 74; S Steinhauer, 75; 1 Frederickson, 74, 75, 74; S Steinhauer, 75, 71, 78. 224: D Richard, 75, 75, 74.

RUGBY UNION

SCHOOL MATCHES: Bryanston 9, Bishop Wordsworth 0; Canford 11, King's Bruton 12; Clifton 11, Wycliffe 9; Mount St Mary's, Sheffield 17, Worksop 6; St Lawrence, Ramsgate 8, Eltham 13.

ICE SKATING

ST PAUL, Minnesota: Women's school figures: 1, D Thomas (US), 0.6 points. Men's figures: 1, J Sabouclk (Cz), 0.8. Ice dance, set dances: 1, R Roca and D Adair (US), 0.6. Pairs, short programme: 1, J Watson and P Oppegard (US).

FOOTBALL

WORLD CUP QUALIFYING MATCHES: African zone play-offs: Algeria 3 Tunisia 0 (agg: 7-1, Algeria qualify for finals in Mexico); Libya 1, Morocco 0 (agg: 1-3, Morocco qualify for finals).
INTERNATIONAL MATCH: Jordan 0, Mexico 0 (in Amman).

Thursday's results

FOOTBALL COMBINATION: Crystal Palace 3, Brighton 0.
ALEXANDRA PARK: Amateur Football Alliance 1, Cambridge University 0.
LIBERTADORES CUP: Final, first leg: Argentinos Juniors 1, America 0.

SPEEDWAY

BRITISH LEAGUE: Swindon 35, Coventry 43; Sheffield 53, Kings Lynn 16; Ipswich 42, Cradley Heath 36.
ARENA ESSEX: Autumn Triangle: Arena Essex 41, Hackney 35, Rye House 32.

ICE HOCKEY

NORTH AMERICA: National League (NHL): Quebec Nordiques 2, Philadelphia Flyers 1; Hartford Whalers 4, New Jersey Devils 3; Minnesota North Stars 10, Detroit Red Wings 1.
NORWICH UNION CUP: Dundee Rockets 10, Fife Flyers 5.

TENNIS

TEL AVIV: Israel grand prix men's tournament, quarter-finals: A Olamedori (Ier) bt F Segarceanu (Rom), 7-5, 6-0; B Gilbert (US) bt G Ocleppo (It), 6-2, 6-4; S Perkiss (Isr) bt E Jelen (WG), 6-1, 3-6, 6-4; J Bates (GB) bt P Carlsson (Swe), 6-1, 6-4

TOKYO: Japan Open tournament: Men's singles, quarter-finals: G Mehlberg (Can) bt G Holmes (US), 6-4, 6-4; J Aries (US) bt M Anger (US), 6-3, 6-3; J Carlsson (Swe) bt J Carter (US), 6-6, 7-6, 6-1, S Davis (US) bt S Glammalva (US), 5-6, 7-6, 6-1; S Davis (US) bt S Glammalva (US), 6-4, 6-2. Women's singles, semi-finals: G Sabatini (Arg) bt L Drescher (Switz), 1-6, 6-3, 6-3; L Gates (Ue) bt L Gildemeister-Arraya (Peru), 6-3, 2-6, 6-3.
SYDNEY: Australian Indoor Championships: Men's Singles, Quarter-final: P Annacone (US) bt C Hooper (US), 4-6, 6-3, 6-4; J Fitzgerald (Aus) bt S Youl (Aus), 7-6, 6-7 6-3; I Landi (Cz) bt B Testerman (US), 6-3, 6-1; H Leconte (Fr) bt A Gomez (Ec), 6-4, 6-4.

BASLE: Grand prix indoor tournament, second round: T Tulisane (Fr) bt R Krishnan (India), 6-2, 6-4; G Forget (Fr) bt S Birner (Cz), 2-6, 6-1, 7-6; M Mecir (Cz) bt R Stadler (Switz), 6-2, 6-2; S Edberg (Swe) bt B Taroczy (Hun), 7-6, 6-2; W Fibak (Pol) bt J Nystrom (Swe), 7-6, 6-4; Y Noah (Fr) bt H de la Pena (Arg), 6-2, 6-1; L Pimek (Cz) bt T Wilkison (US), 4-6, 7-6, 6-1; H Schwaier (WG) bt H Gunthardt (Switz), 3-6, 7-6, 6-4. Quarter-final: Pimek bt Mecir, 7-6, 1-6, 6-2.

FILDERSTADT, West Germany: Women's tournament: second rounds: S Graf (WG) bt K Shaefer (US), 6-2, 6-2; L Bonder (US) bt T Phelps (US), 6-1, 4-6, 6-4; C Kohde-Kilsch (WG) bt C Benjamin (US) 6-3, 6-1; R Reggi (It) bt T Schauer-Larsen (Den), 6-3, 7-5, 6-4; C Lindqvist (Swe) bt C Karlsson (Swe), 6-1, 6-1; I Budarova (Cz) bt A Temesvari (Hun) 6-3, 6-4. Quarter-finals: Lindqvist bt Reggi, 4-6, 6-3, 6-0; Graf bt Bonder, 7-6, 6-3; Kohde-Kilsch bt B Gerken (US), 6-4, 6-3.

YACHTING

WHITBREAD ROUND THE WORLD RACE: Leading positions: 1, Portatan (US); 2, UBS Switzerland (Switz); 3, NZI Enterprise (NZ); 4, Cote d'Or (Bel); 5, Lion New Zealand (NZ). Remaining positions: 1, Fazer Finland (Fin); 2, L'Esprit d'Equipe (France); 3, Philips Innovator (Neth); 4, Portatan; 5, Lion New Zealand.

CRICKET

SYDNEY: Sheffield Shield: South Australia 255 (P Sleep 103); K MacLeay 4-69); Western Australia 214-5 (M Velette 84 no, G Ireland 50).
BRISBANE: Victoria 272-4 (D Whetmore 109) v Queensland.

IN BRIEF

Bryant's title drive gains added weight

David Bryant, the world bowls No 1, reached the Liverpool Victoria Insurance superbowl semi-finals with borrowed bowls, beating Jim Boyle, of Scotland, 7-2, 7-2, at Manchester yesterday. Bryant needed only nine ends to reach the last four. He said: "When watching John Bell play I noticed that a larger wood was needed. I borrowed bowls from the national coach Jim Davidson and they gave me a perfect length." Bryant will meet Jeannette Conlan, who surprisingly beat Jim Baker 7-3, 7-5, in the final.
POWERBOATING: During the annual Powerboat Record Attempts Week on Lake Windermere 14 world records and 37 national records were broken. Yesterday Garry Smith, of Lowestoft, broke his national record for OB Racing Outboards of 250-350cc, with 96.17mph.

YACHTING: Portatan, the American-registered maxi, skippered by Peter Kuttel, the South African, was judged to be leading the first leg of the Whitbread round the world race yesterday. Kottel is now looking to complete this first 7,000-mile stage to Cape Town before the end of the month.
FOOTBALL: Morocco and Algeria have become the fourteenth and fifteenth countries respectively to qualify for next year's World Cup finals in Mexico. Morocco beat Libya 3-1 on aggregate and Algeria beat Tunisia 7-1 on aggregate in African Zone play-offs.
BADMINTON: Nick Yates England's No 2, plans a 10-day rest because of a blood disorder, following his defeat by Morten Frost, in the quarter-finals of the British Airways Masters at Bournemouth, yesterday.

RACING RESULTS

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Going: Good to firm

2.0 (2m hdle): 1, Calmecatter (P Holley, 3-1 fav); 2, Sparkler Superb (10-1); 3, Answer To Prayer (16-1). 1½l, 2l. 13 ran. C–James. TOTE: £3.60; £1.20, £2.90, £2.40. DF: £14.10. CSF: £33.19. Trioast: £395.42.

2.30 (2m hdle): 1, Bilidor (C Hawkins, 20-1); 2, Tremar Lad (3-1); 3, Miss Magnetism (12-1). Armorad 13-8 fav. 1½l, 6l. 17 ran. N Crump. TOTE: £17.10; £3.30, £1.40, £2.40. DF: £47.20. CSF: £80.01.

3.0 (2m 5f ch): 1, Blue Turquin (M Dwyer, 7-4 js-fav); 2, Rejuvenator (6-2); 3, Spring Chancellor (7-4 js-fav). ¾l, ½l. 4 ra. J FitzGerald. TOTE: £2.50. DF: £2.30. CSF: £6.31.

3.30 (3m ch): 1, TEENAGE LOVE (Mr P Dennis, 1-2 fav); 2, Easter Brig (5-1); 3, Flyside (14–1). 9 ran. 2½l, 8l. Mrs M Dickenson. TOTE: £1.80; £1.40, £1.50, £1.90. DF: £3.90. CSF: £4.91.

4.0 (3m hdle): 1, VINO FESTA (D Williams, 5–1); 2, Winters Sovereign (50–1); 3, Cosmeragh King (8–13 fav). 17 ran. 2l, 2l. R Perkins. TOTE: £5.60; £1.80, £7.40, £1.10. DF: £87.50. CSF: £219.23.

4.30 (2m ch): 1, Mount St Mary's (R Forsyth, 25–1); 2, Dawn Diver (4–6); 3, Unsung Hero (17–2). 2½l, ½l. 11 ran. M Camacho. TOTE: £34.70; £3.20, £1.10, £2.20. DF: £19.10. CSF: £44.39.

5.0 (2m flat): 1, Old Ford Tavern (H Jenkins, 9–3 fav); 2, Jay Jay's Princess (8–1); 3, Debbies Prince. (14–1). 12l, 20l. 10 ran. NR: Clarences Hope. J Jenkins. TOTE: £2.10; £1.40, £1.20, £2.70. DF: £3.60. CSF: £10.33. Placepot: £53.10.

Catterick

GOING: Good to firm.

2.15 (1m 4f 40yd): 1, Cadmium (M Lynch 4-7 fav); 2, Cane Mill (15-8); 3, Perfect Double (33-1). 1 ½l 10l. 7 ran. P Cole. TOTE: £1.30; £1.10, £1.10. DF: £1.10. CSF: £1.92.

2.45 (5f): 1, Impale Lass (G Duffield, 7-4 fav); 2, Taylors Taylormade (16-1); 3, Tough Boy (14–1). 4l, hd. 20 ran. NR: Gary and Larry, B McMahon. TOTE: £2.70; £2.00, £3.20, £4.90. DF: £30.10. CSF: £35.77. Bought in 1,600gns.

3.15 (1m 5f 180yd): 1, Jack's Island (M Birch, 4-1); 2, Purns Mill (11-2); 3, Radwinter (10-1). Corsyon Springs (7-2 fav) 6l, 1½l. 10 ran. C Britain. TOTE: £5.00; £1.70, £2.90, £1.40. DF: £31.30. CSF: £25.45. Trioast: £191.78. After a stewards' inquiry, result stood.

3.45 (7f): 1, MaFY-Panse (M Birch, 9-4 fav); 2, Lady Brit (9-1); 3, Tanya's Princess (11-2). 4l, nk. 10 ran. D Morley. TOTE: £2.80; £1.10, £2.40. DF: £9.80. CSF: £22.13.

4.15 (7f): 1, Kilcagpell (E Johnson, 10-1); 2, Hopeful Heights (16-1); 3, Manabel (8-1). 4, Nunavia (7-2 fav). Shthd, ½l. 20 ran. G Lewis. TOTE: £13.70; £2.40, £3.70, £3.80, £2.10. DF: £208.80. CSF: £182.15. Trioast: £1,386.66.

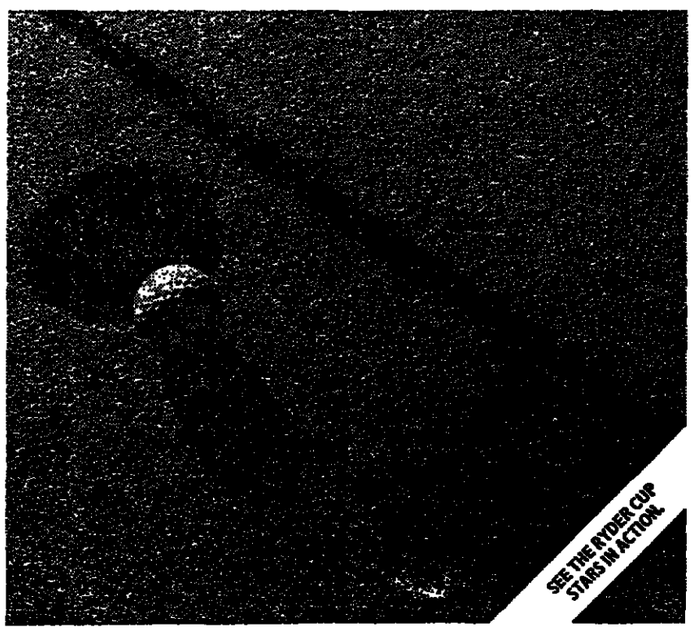
4.45 (1m 7f 180yds): 1, Mistwit (A Clark, 3-1); 2, Melody (11-2); 3, Artaius Maid (8-4 fav). 2½l, 2 ½l. 8 ran. G Harwood. TOTE: £5.10 £1.10, £4.30. DF: £10.10. CSF: £16.85. PLACEPOT: £22.05.

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FASHION AND ACCESSORIES FOR MEN

Sports Commentary



David Miller

Lisbon

Kip Keino, one of the legendary African runners to emerge as Olympics champion in the sixties and now a member of the Athletics Commission of the IOC, was yesterday watching the video film which is part of Birmingham's presentation to the IOC executive board here this week. He blinked. Was it really so, he asked, as if he were going to be a competitor in 1992, that he could walk from his village accommodation and a few minutes later be on the track of the main stadium, and that his colleagues could similarly walk to the venues of nine other sports? Certainly, he was assured. If that is so, he said, then the Olympics must be in Birmingham.

Birmingham's bid committee, led by Denis Howell, has been getting to grips with the anatomy of Olympic business here these past few days. On Thursday night they were making the most over dinner of an introduction to Vitaly Smirnov, one of the Soviet Union's two IOC members. He will be unable to visit the National Exhibition Centre before next October's vote: but he helps to determine how the Soviet bloc thinks, and the Soviet bloc is against the Spanish-Latin America influence growing in world sport.

At breakfast time yesterday Mr Howell was getting to know Anani Matthia, President of the association for African Olympic Committees. As a result of their rapidly expanding international education, which began a couple of months ago, as it were without a single O level, the Birmingham committee have now telexed Mr Matthia's organization in Cameroon to request permission to exhibit their presentation of facilities at the December conference of the African confederation in Addis Ababa.

A week previously they will have been in Bahrain for the conference of the Asian Olympic committees under the presidency of Sheikh Fahad of Kuwait, who has a home at Watford, substantial bloodstock interest, and was a key figure behind the scenes in Seoul being awarded the 1988 Games. By going to Bahrain and Addis Ababa Birmingham will make contact with more than a quarter of IOC members.

Money for promotion going to waste

The gross expenditure of promotion and publicity by the 14 competing hosts for 1992, seven each for summer and winter Games, will exceed £30 million, money largely wasted other than for the two successful candidates and none of it improving the quality of the event. At a Press conference yesterday Juan Samaranch, the president of the IOC, agreed that this is a cause of concern, and that after the Seoul Games steps will be taken to prevent a repetition of such waste.

It is clear that there ought to be a two-stage voting system: a two-year time limit before the voting by when a candidate must be submitted, with the field being narrowed to two or at the most three cities one year before the final decision.

Paris, for instance, has plastered Lisbon with hundreds of illuminated advertisements, at a cost of hundreds of thousands of francs. The dozen or so IOC members, excluding the executive board who have been here for five days, will mostly have hardly moved from their hotel and seen none of them. What is increasingly apparent is that for Birmingham to have the slightest chance of closing in on Barcelona's obvious lead – the Spaniards will have spent £5 million on public relations by next October – they have to persuade the 92 voters to come to the Black Country to see for themselves the unique aspect of a self-contained Olympic complex

Increasing respect for Samaranch

Those in international sport who wish to denigrate Samaranch have some facile targets: the substantial expenditure he incurs in travelling the world as the first fully executive president, superseding the deposed director, Monique Berlioux; and the as yet undisclosed details of the controversial marketing contract with ISL. Yet the huge array of candidates for 1992, with their many receptions and conferences necessitating his endless public appearance and speeches, is increasing the respect for his diplomacy.

To allay any fear of his partiality towards the candidacy of Barcelona, his home city, he recently made a declaration to the mayor, Pasqual Marragal, stating that to believe he could influence a single member of the IOC would be an insult to their honour, integrity and independence. He knows how closely he is observed, and under such scrutiny rarely makes an error of judgment.

FOOTBALL

Second chance for United to prove they can manage without Robson

By Stuart Jones, Football Correspondent

Manchester United have more than their unbeaten record to protect today. They must prove again that they are a club that can do without Bryan Robson. That is more that can be said for the country. England never regained their impressive fluency once he had pulled a hamstring and limped away from the World Cup qualifying tie against Turkey on Wednesday night.

Bobby Robson was disturbed that the loss of his namesake, who maintained his remarkable striking rate of scoring in every third international, should have such a marked effect on his side. "He was back to his best," he said on Thursday morning, "but we can't afford to rely so heavily on him".

Although Ron Atkinson described the loss of Bryan Robson as "a terrific blow", the 10-point lead that United hold over Liverpool, their opponents at Old Trafford this afternoon, will act as a comfortable cushion. So should the memory of last season. During the nine games they were without their captain who had dislocated a shoulder, they did not lose.

Moses is likely to come in to an otherwise unchanged United side that has yet to concede a goal at home. Rush might be expected to spoil that statistic but he required treatment yester- day and is on a list of doubts so lengthy that Kenny Dalglish, himself another casualty, has delayed his selection.

Hansen, unavailable for Scotland in midweek, has recovered from a knee injury and Dalglish could be persuaded to employ the sweeper system which worked so successfully in their 3-2 victory over Everton at Goodison Park a month ago. That Merseyside derby was memorable. This, in spite of the absence of Robson, could match it.

While the two red giants are at play, their closest rivals will all be facing far less distinguished opposition. Chelsea are at Oxford United, where they will be seeking their fifth successive win. Rhoades-Brown will renew acquaintances with most of his old colleagues but perhaps not Dixon, who is troubled by a sore knee.

Arsenal, unbeaten in their last five fixtures, should collect three points from Ipswich Town, who have won only once away this season. So should Everton, whose attack will include Heath as well as Lineker, the scorer of three of England's goals on Wednesday. The record of Watford, their visitors, is even more meagre than Ipswich's.

Sheffield Wednesday are without Shelton and Shirtliff at Filbert Street where Leicester City's substitute, if used, could be one of the more significant features of the afternoon. Their No 12 shirt may be worn by Cunningham, the 29-year-old former England winger. He is on loan from Marseilles until the beginning of December.

Another former England international about to complete his comeback is Stevens. Seven months after seriously damaging knee ligaments and in Tottenham Hotspur's first outing for a fortnight, he replaces Allen, hurt while training with England's under-21 squad, and joins Hoddle and Ardiles in midfield at Coventry City tomorrow.

Manchester United are unlikely to be the only runaway leaders to be stretched to the limit today. Portsmouth, five points clear at the top of the second division, have also yet to drop a point at home. But their visitors, Crystal Palace, have not lost at Fratton Park since 1962.

Reading, defending an astonishing 14-point gap in the third division, may be without their leading scorer, Senior, at Lincoln City. He has been unable to train since last Saturday when they broke the League record by gaining the twelfth successive victory. Last season at Lincoln, Reading lost 5-1.



Moses: likely to replace Robson

Wallace gambles

By Hugh Taylor

So fervent is the belief of Jock Wallace that his bright young players can make Rangers once again Scotland's leading club that he is taking his boldest gamble of the season and fielding against Hibernian central defender who is unknown to practically all the supporters who will be at Ibrox today.

The new face if Stuart Beattie, aged 18, who has been with Rangers less than a year.

"He has been in tremendous form for the reserves," claims the manager. "With three of the regular defenders out of action, I have no hesitation in giving the lad his chance".

Celtic players who slipped spectacularly when they were beaten 1-0 at home by Hearts have been told by their manager, David Hay, that players will be dropped if they continue to miss chances as they did last week. They should, however, be too powerful for Motherwell.

Dundee United seem unlikely to avenge their Cup defeat against Aberdeen at Pittodrie. They are hard hit by injuries.

Hearts, should share the points with St Mirren at Tynecastle.

Bremner in line for Leeds

Billy Bremner looks set to take over as manager of his old club Leeds United. Currently Doncaster Rovers's manager, Bremner had talks with the Elland Road directors yesterday and said he would give them a decision in the morning.

If he succeeds Eddie Gray, who was dismissed last week – as seems likely – he will take his assistant manager at Doncaster, Dave Bentley, and chief scout Dave Blakey with him. Ian Jones, the Doncaster chairman, said: "We have agreed on a compensation figure for all three men and the decision is now up to Billy.

"Nobody wants him to leave, but Leeds approached us in the correct manner and it was felt we really could not stand in his way.

If he decides to leave he will go with our blessing, and Leeds will have potentially one of the best management teams in the land."

Bremner, who made over 600 appearances for Leeds, and captained the side during the Don Revie era, took over as manager at Doncaster in November 1978. The club had to apply for re-election in his first season, but has since won promotion twice.

Turks told to play in evening

The Football Association contacted Turkey yesterday as confusion grew over FIFA's request for simultaneous World Cup kick-off times next month.

A Turkish FA spokesman said FIFA had instructed them to bring their fixture against Romania forward to November 13 with an evening kick-off matching that of England's meeting with Northern Ireland to avoid any possibility of collusion.

But, because of a two-hour time difference between England and Turkey in November and the fact that the floodlights at the 19 May stadium in Ankara are not up to international standards, he said he did not expect the Turkish FA to comply.

But the FA are opposed to an afternoon kick-off at Wembley because they believe it would greatly reduce the attendance.

If Ireland draw at Wembley they will join England in the World Cup finals, but if they lose, a win over Turkey would take Romania through.

MOTOR RACING



Prost: chasing another title (Photograph: Bryn Colton)

Mansell secures pole position

Kyalami, South Africa (Reuter) – Nigel Mansell set an unofficial record time on the Kyalami track to take pole position for today's South African grand prix. The Briton, who registered his first grand prix victory when he won at Brands Hatch earlier this month, averaged more than 143mph, clipping more than two seconds off the previous practice lap record of the Brazilian Nelson Piquet.

Mansell's lap time was 1min 2.366sec. His Williams team colleague, Keke Rosberg, of Finland took third place, but Piquet in a Brabham, also turned in an extra fast time to split the pair and fill second position on the front row of the grid.

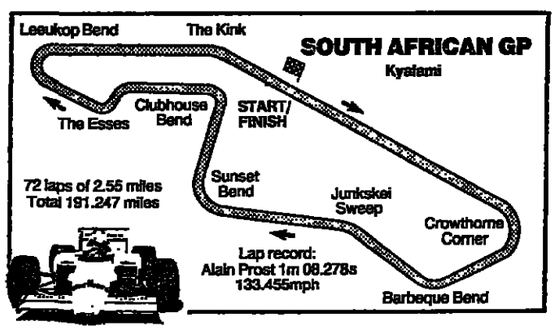
Another Brazilian, Ayrton Senna, in a Lotus, was the only other driver to break 1min 3sec around the 2.55-mile track and the rest of the field were more than one second behind the top four.

Alain Prost, the world champion, set the ninth best time, 1min 4.37sec, and will start on the fifth row.

The cars looked slightly unusual – many had their addvertsing signs painted out. Many sponsors decided that, with world anger directed at the South African government because of its apartheid policies, advertising would be negative publicity.

The French teams, Renault and Ligier, withdrew at their government's request in portest against apartheid.

GRID POSITIONS: 1, N Mansell (GB), Williams Honda FW10B, 1min 02.366sec; 2, N Piquet (Brazil), Brabham-BMW BT54, 1.02.490; 3, K Rosberg (Fin), Williams Honda FW10B, 1.02.504; 4, A Senna (Brazil), Lotus-Renault 97T, 1.02.825; 5, M Surer (Switz), Brabham-BMW BT54, 1.04.088; 6, F De Angelis (It), Lotus-Renault 97T, 1.04.129; 7, T Fabi (It), Toleman-Hart TG185, 1.04.215; 8, N Lauda (Austria), McLaren-TAG MP4/23, 1.04.283; 9, A Prost (Fr), McLaren-TAG MP4/23, 1.04.376; 10, T Boutsen (Bel), Arrows-BMW A8, 1.04.518; 11, G Berger (Austria), Arrows-BMW A8, 1.04.780; 12, R Patrese (It), Alfa Romeo 185T, 1.04.948; 13, P Ghinzani (It), Alfa Romeo 185T, 1.05.250; 15, M Alboreto (It), Ferrari 156/85, 1.05.268; 16, S Johansson (Swe), Ferrari 156/85, 1.05.388; 17, M Brundle (GB), Tyrrell Renault, 014, 1.05.649; 18, A Jones (Aust), Beatrice-Lola-Hart, 1.05.731; 19, P Streiff (Fr), Tyrrell-Renault 014, 1.06.205; 20, P Martini (It), Minardi M1185, 1.06.658; 21, H Rothengatter (Neth), Osella-Alfa Romeo FA1G, 1.06.873.



Prost sees designer as key to triumph

By John Blunsden

Alain Prost's first major task as motor racing's newly crowned world champion will be to secure for his team, Marlboro McLaren, the constructors' title. He hopes to do so today at Kyalami, South Africa, where the fast circuit should emphasize McLaren's superiority over Ferrari, its closest challenger.

Only when both championships have been wrapped up by the Woking-based team will Prost – France's first title-holder – feel that 1985 has been a completely satisfactory year. He knows better than anyone that his own success, just like Niki Lauda's last year, was built on a foundation of teamework, which has become the envy of McLaren's rivals, and it was significant that one of the first acts in Prost's inevitably hectic week after clinching the title at Brands Hatch was to travel to Woking to thank every member of the organization.

It was an emotional reunion, for there is a genuine affection for Prost. For his part, Prost loves England. "I sometimes think I'm a little bit more English than French", he jokes.

It has taken him eight seasons in Formula One to reach the top, although he came close to becoming world champion in every on of the last three seasons. It was McLaren who gave him his start, in 1980, but he spent the next three years with Renault before returning "home" last season – the word is used deliberately, because Prost has never felt more at home than during the past two years.

His relationship with Lauda has been excellent, and they complemented each other most effectively in the role of development and test driving.

"It helped considerably that Niki and I liked our cars set up more or less the same way and that we usually came to the same conclusion when testing something new", Prost said. Soon he will be joined by Keke Rosberg, whose spectacular driving is far removed from the smoothly flowing style of Prost and Lauda.

His own talent apart, Prost clearly sees John Barnard, their car designer, as the key man in his team's success. "John gave us a car which was the best on the circuit by the time of the first race last year, and ever since he has insisted on developing it slowly and methodically. At times there have been strong words, because drivers tend to be impatient people and Niki and I have wanted to test lots of different things. But John has always insisted that only one thing at a time will be tried and thoroughly evaluated before we move on."

Barnard's philosophy paid off because it has been the foundation of the team's consistency. So has his insistance that qualification should be secondary to preparing the cars for the race. "Some teams like to win qualifying, but I always prefer to win races", says Prost, who is on the fifth row of the grid today. He already has 21 Grands Prix to his credit, just six behind Jackie Stewart's record of 27. At 30 time is on his side.

"I think we have yet to see the best of Prost", says Ron Dennis, McLaren's commercial director, who already perceives a more relaxed driver now that the world championship has been secured. Also, Prost has no intention of jeopardizing his driving potential by becoming a globe-trotter earning huge appearance fees. "The best way I can be a champion is to show I can win it again next year", Prost says.

CRICKET

Kent refuse to allow Dilley to leave

By Ivo Tennant

For the second consecutive autumn, Kent's executive committee have had to meet to resolve the grievances of one of their best players. Last year they refused to allow Chris Tavaré to leave; yesterday Graham Dilley was given the same answer.

The England fast bowler, who has a year of his contract to run, was upset at being dropped by Kent last season, in which he took only 32 first-class wickets. His request to leave was probably influenced by the disquiet over the departure of Johnson, his brother-in-law.

Kent confirmed that Potter, who wanted to bat higher in the order, has been allowed to leave. He is likely to join either Gloucestershire or Liecestershire. Kent, then, are left without spin support for Underwood, who will be 41 next summer.

Another to have left is Waterton, one of Knott's two understudies as wicketkeeper in recent years. He joined Northamptonshire yesterday on a one-year contract which leaves the way open for Marsh to succeed Knott.

Kent also confirmed they will not be re-signing Alderman, the Australian who played for them on 1984, and that Graham Cowdrey will be on their staff next year. He had been quoted as saying he wanted to leave unless he got a regular batting place, he will have learned not to make unguarded comments to the tabloid press.

Highlight is provided by de Silva

Faisalabad (Reuter) – Pakistan made a cautious start to their first innings yesterday after Sri Lanka, 363 for seven overnight, were all out for 479 on the third day of the first Test. It was the touring team's highest total against Pakistan.

Sri Lanka's innings was highlighted by Aravinda de Silva's maiden century. He hit 122 before being caught behind by Ashraf off Imran. His 510-minute innings included 17 fours and three sixes – two of them off Imran, including the six which carried him to his hundred. De Silva's twentieth birthday coincided with the second day of the match.

SRI LANKA: First Innings

S Wettimuny lb-w b Qadir	52
I S A R Silva c Shoaib b Imran	17
R S Madugalle b Mudassar	5
R L Dias c Ashraf b Jalaluddin	48
*L R D Mendis lb-w b Imran	15
A Ranatunga c Shoaib b Qadir	79
P A de Silva c Ashraf b Imran	122
J R Ratnayeke run out	34
A L P de Mel c Ashraf b Waseem	17
R J Ratnayake lb-w b Qadir	56
R G C E Wijesuriya not out	7
Extras (b 4, lb 12, w 2, n-b 9)	27
Total	479

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–23, 2–40, 3–125, 4–129, 5–165, 6–286, 7–352, 8–391, 9–443, 10–479.

BOWLING: Imran 49-15-112-3; Waseem 42.3-12-97-1; Jalaluddin 39-10-89-1; Mudassar 13.3-3-29-1; Qadir 53.3-16-132-3; Shoaib 2-1-4-0.

PAKISTAN: First Innings

Mudassar Nazar not out	42
Shoaib Mohammad not out	33
Extras (b 5, l-b 2, n-b 4)	11
Total (no wkt)	86

Qasim Omar, *Javed Miandad, Zaheer Abbas, Salim Malik, Imran Khan, †Ashraf Ali, Abdul Qadir, Waseem Akram, Jalaluddin.

BOWLING (to date): de Mel 7-1-20-0; Ratnayeke 9-0-31-0; Ratnayeke 6-2-19-0; Wijesuriya 4-1-9-0; Ranatunga 1-1-0-0.

Brown makes mark

Townsville, Queensland (Reuter) – Vaughan Brown, the Canterbury off-spinner and the only uncapped member of the touring party, took three for 65 in 24 overs as the New Zealanders restricted a Queensland Combined XI to 173 for eight on the opening day of their three-day match.

BOXING

Bout verdict delayed

The fate of the British middleweight title eliminator between Mark Kaylor and Errol Christie at Wembly Arena on November 5 will not be decided until Monday.

Ray Carke, secretary of the British Board of Control, announced this at a Press conference yesterday where the two boxers denied that there was any racial tension in their contest.

Clark, who saw both boxers shake hands at the London Casino where they brawled just a week ago, said: "In view of what happened and what I have seen, which has pleased me to a certain extent, I shall be going back to the stewards and also talking to Commander David Polkinghorne of Wembley police on Monday and the whole matter will be reassesed. We will then hope to make a decision some time on Monday afternoon."

The police asked the board on Thurssay to cancel or postpone the bout.

Magri date set

Rome (Reuter) – The European flyweight title fight between Franco Cherchi, of Italy, the holder, and Charlie Magri, of Britain, will take place on October 30 in Alessandria, Italy. Italian boxing officials announced yesterday.

SQUASH RACKETS

Selectors plump for Hickox instead of Lloyd

By Colin McQuillan

England's selectors have opted for the proven current form of the under-23 national champion Jamie Hickox as the fourth string for the team to compete in the world championships in Cairo next month rather than the mercurial talent of David Lloyd, holder of the under-23 international open title.

The other players selected are the reigning British champion Geoff Williams, who has recovered from knee carilage surgery, Gawain Briars and Philip Kenyon. The competition for fourth place was fierce and encouragingly widespread, however, with the two junior champions eventually holding off a field including Bryan Beeson, David Pearson, Ashley Naylor and Hiddy Jahan.

TEAM: G Briars (Norfolk), G Williams (Sussex), P Kenyon (Lancashire), J Hickox (Surrey).

WEEKEND FOOTBALL, RUGBY AND OTHER FIXTURES

First division

Arsenal v Ipswich Town
Everton v Watford
Leicester City v Sheffield Wed
Luton Town v Southampton
Manchester United v Liverpool
Newcastle Utd v Nottingham F
Oxford United v Chelsea
QPR v Manchester City
West Bromwich v Birmingham
West Ham United v Aston Villa

GOLA LEAGUE: Barrow v Boston; Chelmsford v Kettering; Dagenham v Nuneaton; Dartford v Runcorn; Enfield v Bath; Kidderminster v Weymouth; Maidstone v Altrincham; Northwich v Wycombe; Scarborough v Barnet; Stafford v Wealdstone; Telford v Fickley.
VAUXHALL-OPEL LEAGUE: Premier division: Billericay v Epsom and Ewell; Bishop's Stortford v Dulwich; Bognor v Sutton United; Carshalton v Yeovil; Croydon v Kingstonian; Famborough v Harrow; Hayes v Barking; Hendon v Slough; Tooting and Mitcham v Worthing; Walthamstow v Hitchin, Windsor and Eton v Wokingham. First division: Boreham Wood v Walton and Hersham, Basildon v Chesham; Grays v Leyton/Wingate (3.30); Finchley v Staines; Harlow v Hampton; Leatherhead v Hornchurch; Leytonstone/Ilford v Maidenhead United. Oxford City v Aveley; St Albans v Lewes; Tilbury v Uxbridge; Wembley v Bromley. Second division, north: Clapton v Hertford; Vauxhall Motors v Rainham; Wolverton v Heytbridge Swifts; Harefield Saffron Walden. Second division, south: Bracknell v Woking, Horsham v Eastbourne United; Metropolitan Police v Newbury.
MULTIPART LEAGUE: Buxton v Caernarfon; Gateshead v Hyde, Goole v Oswestry; Horwich v Gainsborough; Macclesfield v South Liverpool; Marine v Matlock; Massley v Wilton; Rhyl v Chorley; Southport v Buxton; Workington v Bangor City; Worksop v Morecambe
SOUTHERN LEAGUE: Premier division: Alvechurch v Witney, Aylesbury v King's Lynn; Basingstoke v Willenhall, Dudley v Chelmsford; Fisher v Shepshed; Folkestone v Corby; Gravesend v Fareham; R. S. Southampton v Bedworth; Woking v Gosport; Worcester v Crawley. Midland division: Bromsgrove Rovers v VS Rugby; Gloucester City v Banbury; Grantham v Merthyr Tydfil; Hednesford v Wellingborough; Leamington v Moor Green; Oldbury v Leicester United; Rushden v Stourbridge; Sutton Coldfield v Forest Green Rovers. Southern division: Canterbury City v Poole; Chatham v Waterlooville; Corinthian v Dover Athletic; Erith and Belvedere v Dunstable; Ruislip v Tonbridge AFC; Salisbury v Ashford; Sheppey v Dorchester; Thanet v Andover; Trowbridge v Cambridge City
CENTRAL LEAGUE: First division: Sheffield Wednesday v Manchester United.
FOOTBALL COMBINATION: Birmingham v Fulham (2.0); Bristol Rovers v Charlton (2.30); Chelsea v Oxford United (3.15); Reading v Arsenal (2.0); Southampton v Luton; Swansea v QPR (2.0); Tottenham v Norwich (2.0); Watford v Portsmouth.
SOUTH EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE (11.0): FIRST DIVISION: Charlton v Millwall; Ipswich v Chelsea; Norwich v Tottenham; Portsmouth v Arsenal, QPR v West Ham. Cup first round replays: Orient v Gillingham; Watford v Fulham. Second Division: Bournemouth v Reading; Colchester United v Oxford United; Brighton v Crystal Palace; Bristol Rovers v Southampton; Luton v Southend; Tottenham v Swindon. Cup, first round replays: Brentford v Wimbledon.
ARTHURIAN LEAGUE: Premier division: Brentwoods v Malvernians; Carthusians v Chigwellians; Forestars v Harrovians; Raptorians v Lancing O.B. First Division: Citizens v Wallingbonians; Wykehamists v Westminsters.
NORTHERN COUNTIES EAST LEAGUE: Premier division: Alfreton Town v Bridlington Trinity; Arnold v Belper; Bentley v Spalding; Boston v Denaby; Hesmor v Eastwood; Pontefract Colliery v Ilkeston.
DRYBROUGHS NORTHERN LEAGUE: First division: Bedlington v Ferryhill Athletic; Billingham v Brandon; Bishop Auckland v Gretna; Chester-le-St v South Benic Consett v Whitley Bay; North Shields v Hartlepool; Peterlee v Billingham Synthonia; Ryhope CA v Crook; Spennymoor v Tow Law; Whitby v Blyth Spartans.

Second division

Blackburn Rovers v Oldham
Brighton v Charlton
Carlisle United v Sunderland
Fulham v Stoke City
Hull City v Huddersfield Town
Leeds United v Grimsby Town
Middlesbrough v Bradford City
Norwich City v Shrewsbury Town
Portsmouth v Crystal Palace
Sheffield United v Barnsley
Wimbledon v Millwall

FA VASE: First round: Seaton Delaval St v Wingate; Easington Colliery v Langley Park Welfare; Coundon TT v Rowntree Mackintosh; Seaham CW Red Star v Consett Albion; Eppleton CW v Armthorpe Welfare; Washington v Murton; Darwen v West Allotment Celtic; Yorkshire Amateurs v Farsley Celtic; Tadcaster Albion v Norton and Stockton; Hallam v Guiseley; Waterloo Dock v Wren Rovers; Rossendale v Chadderton; Harrogate v St Dominics; Burnley Belvedere v Borrowash Victoria; Frecheville Community v BSC Parkgate; Irlam v Emley; Droylsden v Sheffield; Nelson v Kirkby; Ellesmere Port and Neston v Liversedge; Warrington v Atherton Collieries; Maghull v Garforth.
Thackley v Clitheroe, Atherton Lr v Merseyside Police; Appleby Frodingham v Prar Lane OB, Gresley Rovers v Immingham; Brigg v Newhall; Skegness v Stapenhill; Louth v Long Eaton; Arnold Kingswell North v Ferriby; Rothwell v Long Buckby; Hurley Dane MW v Bridgnorth; Mile Oak Rovers v Northfield; Oadby v Paget Rangers; Bilston v Birstall; Hinckley v Wigston Fields; Hinckley Ath v Wednesfield Social; Brereton Social v Coleshill; Tamworth v Evesham; Coventry Sporting v Bolkmere St Michaels; Gorleston v Somersham; Yaxley v Baldock; Stowmarket v March Town; Barton Rovers v Hadleigh.
Bowers v East Thurrock; Soham Town Rangers v Great Yarmouth; Eynesbury Rovers v Chatteris; Bury v Witham; Harwich and Parkeston v Ely City; Ransomes v Halstead; Desborough v St Margaretsbury; Northwood v Hazells; Royston v Chesham; Ampthill v Hemel Hempstead; Beaconsfield v Potton; Tiptree v Chalfont St Peter; Shillington v Berkhamsted; Pirton v Southall; Letchworth GC v Feltham; Stevenage Borough v Flackwell Heath; Lavender Hospital v Wootton Blue Cross; Eaton Bray v Maidenhead Town; Hanwell v Leighton; Camberley v Hythe; Cobham v Horndean; Beckton v Romsey; Pirelli General v Malden Vale; Hevant v Herne Bay; Lymington v Eastleigh.
Ringmer v Chertsey; Southwick v Cray Wanderers; Burgess Hill v Molesey; Whyteleafe v Wick, Egham v Whitstable; Merstham v Ash Utd; Dorking v Yeading; Banstead Athletic v Tunbridge Wells; Pagham v Three Bridges; Shoreham v Eastbourne Town; Sholing Sports v Godalming; AFC Totton v Hastings; Crockenhill v Alma Swanley; Sharpness v Devizes; Hungerford v Calne; Warminster v Shepton Mallet; Thatcham v Wimborne; Bedwell United v Bridport; Almondsbury Greenway v Cinderford; Clevedon v Westbury; Hengrove Athletic v Fairford; Wantage v Larkhall Athletic; Moreton v Welton Rovers; Torrington v Keynsham; Supermarine v Yate; Wallingford v Abingdon; Flight Refuelling v Chippenham.
IRISH LEAGUE, TNT GOLD CUP (2.30): Ards v Ballymena; Cliftonville v Glenavon; Coleraine v Distillery; Glentoran v Crusaders; Linfield v Carrick; Newry v Larne; Portadown v Bangor.
SURREY COUNTY SENIOR CUP: THIRD QUALIFYING ROUND: Chipstead v Farleigh Rovers; Godalming v Reigate Priory; Hartley Wintney v Virginia Water; Lingfield v Kew Association; Horley v Farnham; Westfield v Malden.
GREAT MILLS WESTERN LEAGUE: PREMIER DIVISION: Bideford v Bristol City; Bristol Manor Farm v Taunton; Chard v Minehead; Clandown v Weston-Super-Mare; Dawlish v Paulton; Exmouth v Frome; Melksham v Barnstaple; Plymouth Argyle v Mangotsfield.
BUILDING SCENE EASTERN LEAGUE: Brantham Athletic v Braintree; Haverhill Rovers v Felixstowe; Histon v Sudbury; Lowestoft v Colchester Utd; Thetford v Newmarket; Wisbech v Clacton.
HALLS BREWERY HELLENIC LEAGUE: PREMIER DIVISION: Pegasus Juniors v Hounslow; Rayners Lane v Bicester; Thame Utd v Shortwood. Sloi Challenge Cup: Preliminary round replay: Abingdon Utd v Morris Motors.

Third division

Blackpool v Bury
Bolton Wanderers v Swansea
Bournemouth v Gillingham
Brentford v Newport County
Bristol City v Darlington
Cardiff City v Wigan Athletic
Derby County v York City
Doncaster Rovers v Bristol R
Lincoln City v Reading
Notts County v Chesterfield
Rotherham United v Plymouth
Wolverhampton v Walsall

NENE GROUP UNITED COUNTIES LEAGUE: Premier division: Bourne v Northampton Spencer; Buckingham v Irthlingborough; Newport Pagnell St Neots; S and L Corby v Arlesey; Stotfold v Holbeach; Stamford v Raunds.
ESSEX SENIOR LEAGUE: Burnham v Wivenhoe; Canvey Island v Sawbridgeworth; Chelmsford v Ford; East Ham v Coggeshall; Eton Manor v Brentwood; Stansted v Tilbury.
SECOND DIVISION: Batley v Barrow (3.0); Blackpool v Whitehaven (3.0); Bramley v Hunslet (3.30); Fulham v Wakefield (3.0); Huddersfield v Leigh (3.30); Keighley v Runcorn (3.15); Sheffield v Rochdale (3.30); Workington v Mansfield (3.30).

Fourth division

Aldershot v Wrexham
Cambridge United v Orient
Chester v Swindon Town
Crewe Alexandra v Burnley
Hartlepool United v Hereford
Mansfield Town v Exeter City
Port Vale v Southend United
Rochdale v Preston North End
Torquay United v Northampton

ICE HOCKEY
NORWICH UNION CUP: Crowtree Chiefs v Cleveland Bombers (6.30); Glasgow Dynamos v Murrayfield Racers (6.0).
HEINEKEN LEAGUE: Premier division: Fife Flyers v Durham Wasps (7.15). First division: Sheffield Blades v Bannerbourn Stags (6.0); Telford Tigers v Deeside Dragons (7.0).

VOLLEYBALL
ROYAL BANK NATIONAL LEAGUE: Men's First Division: Paddrk v Bellshill Cardinals; East Kilbride v Dundee Kinloch; DV-81 v Team Scottish Farm; Murray International Metals v Telford Spikers. Postponed: Volvo Trucks v Glasgow Gregg. Women's First Division: Finnies Sport 1 v Bellshill Cardinals; Team Scottish Farm v Inverclyde; Paisley v Larbert 1; Trinity v Whitburn; Telford v Carluke.
ROYAL BANK SCOTTISH LEAGUE: Men's First Division: Leeds v Spark Crook Log (Armley SC, 6.30); Liverpool City v Speedwell Rucanor (Halewood SC, 4.20); Polonia v OBC Poole (Reynolds SC, 7.0); Redwood Lodge v Weymouth Rembrandt (Redwood LH); Mallory v Newcastle (Saints) (Crofton LC, 8.30). Women's First Division: Ashcombe v Spark (Horsham LC, 6.30); Bradford Mythbreakers v Britannia (TFD YC, 8.30); Sale v Colchester (Sale LC, 6.30); Speedwell Rucanor v Greenwich (Soundwell TC, 2.30); Birmingham AI v Portsmouth Allsports (BAI).

NETBALL
COUNTY FIXTURES: Beds v Glouos (Putteridge Centre Stopsley, 1.30); South Bucks v Bedford College (Bedford College 1.0); Cambridgeshire v Norfolk (Cambridge); West Dorset v Cornwall (Parkstone Grammar School, 1.0); North Durham v Cumbria (Redwell); Essex Met v East Essex (Sacred Heart School, Dagenham, 1.30); Essex Thurrock v Mid Herts (Gambleland School, 12.30); Hampshire North v Oxon (Robert May's School Odiham); Herts v Worcs; Isle of Wight v Wilts (Cowes); Greater Manchester v Berkshire (Whalley Range School Manchester, 10.0); South Staffs v Shropshire (South Staffs, 1.0); Surrey v Kent (Mary Dashelor Field, Dulwich, 1.0); Sussex v Middlesex; South Yorks v Lancs (South Yorks 1.0).

Scottish premier division

Aberdeen v Dundee United
Dundee v Clydebank
Hearts v St Mirren
Motherwell v Celtic
Rangers v Hibernian

RUGBY UNION
INTERNATIONAL MATCH
Ireland v Fiji (Lansdowne Road, Dublin, 2.45)
JOHN SMITH'S MERIT TABLE A
Bath v Bristol

CLUB MATCHES
Aberavon v Mid Glamorgan
Abertillery v Pontypool
Bedford v Ebbw Vale
Birmingham v New Brighton
Cardiff v Wasps
Coventry v Bridgend
Cross Keys v Maesteg
Durham v Broughton Park
Ekster v Saracens
Fylde v Rugby
Gloucester v Newport
Gosforth v Orrell
Harlequins v Rosslyn Park
Headingley v Cambridge University
London Scottish v Blackheath
London Welsh v Llanelli
Middlesbrough v Halifax
Morley v Liverpool
Neath v Swansea
Northampton v Leicester
Nuneaton v Metropolitan Police (2.30)
Penarth v Lydney
Pontypridd v Newbridge
Torquay v Plymouth
Vale of Lune v Roundhay
US Portsmouth v Devonport Services
Wakefield v Otley
Waterloo v Nottingham
West Hartlepool v Sale

SCOTTISH FIRST DIVISION
Boroughmuir v Selkirk
Edinburgh Academicals v Hawick
Gala v Kilmarnock
Heriot's FP v Preston Lodge
Jedforest v Stewart's/Melville FP
Kelso v West of Scotland
Melrose v Watsonians

Scottish first division

Alloa Athletic v Clyde
Ayr United v East Fife
Dumbarton v Kilmarnock
Forfar Athletic v Hamilton
Montrose v Airdrieonians
Morton v Falkirk
Partick Thistle v Brechin City

Scottish second division

Arbroath v Stirling Albion
Cowdenbeath v Stenhousemuir
East Stirling v Dunfermline
Meadowbank v Albion Rovers
Queen's Park v Berwick
Raith Rovers v Queen of South
Stranraer v St Johnstone

LACROSSE
BRINE NORTH OF ENGLAND LEAGUE: First division: Cheadle v Shefield University; Old Hutmeans v Ashton; Old Waconians v Heaton Mersey, Sheffield v Stockport; Urmston v Sale. Brine South of England county festival (South Hampstead Cricket Club, 11.0).

HANDBALL
NORTHERN DIVISION: Kirkby Select v Liverpool (4.0). Southern Division: Great Danes v Leicester 73 (4.0).

OTHER SPORT
BOWLS: Liverpool Victoria Insurance Superbowl (Manchester).
BADMINTON: British Airways Masters (Bournemouth).
CANOEING: British Open (River Dee, Llangollen).
GOLF: Dunhill Cup (St. Andrews).
KARATE: British Kyokishinkika championships (Crystal Palace NSC).
MOTOR CYCLING: Champion of Brands Motor Cycles (All classes) Practice from 9.30; Racing from 2.0.
MOTOR RACING: (at Oulton Park): MG car races (MG sports, formula Ford 1600): Practice from 9.30; Racing from 2.0.
RACE WALKING: National RWA age-group championships (Morecambe).
RACKETS: Celeston invitation singles (Haileybury & Winchester).
REAL TENNIS: George Wimpey women's handicap (Troon, Ayrshire).
ROAD RUNNING: AAA six-stage relay (Heaton Park, Manchester, 2.30). Southern women's relays (Aldershot).
SHOOTING: Rothmans Grand Prix (Hexagon, Reading).
SQUASH RACKETS: Auto Fleet British Junior Masters (Wycombe Hills, High Wycombe). North of England Open.

TOMORROW

FOOTBALL
First division
Coventry v Tottenham (11.0)

RUGBY UNION
CLUB MATCH: Wasps v London Irish (3.0).

RUGBY LEAGUE
FIRST DIVISION: (3.0 unless stated): Featherstone v Halifax (3.30); Hull v Bradford; Oldham v Castleford; St Helens v Hull KR; Swinton v Leeds; Warrington v York; Wigan v Dewsbury.
SECOND DIVISION: Batley v Barrow (3.0); Blackpool v Whitehaven (3.0); Bramley v Hunslet (3.30); Fulham v Wakefield (3.0); Huddersfield v Leigh (3.30); Keighley v Runcorn (3.15); Sheffield v Rochdale (3.30); Workington v Mansfield (3.30).

ICE HOCKEY
NORWICH UNION CUP: Altrincham Aces v Whitley Warriors (5.30); Ayr Bruins v Glasgow Dynamos (7.0); Durham Wasps v Crowgree Chiefs (6.30); Murrayfield Racers v Dundee Rockets (6.30); Peterborough Pirates v Nottingham Panthers (6.30); Streatham Redskins v Southampton Vikings (6.15).
HEINEKEN LEAGUE: First division: Deeside Dragons v Sheffield Blades (5.30); Lee Valley Lions v Telford Tigers (7.0); Oxford City

RACING: 2,000 GUINEAS MARKET THROWN INTO CONFUSION AFTER NEWMARKET COLT SPRINGS DEWHURST STAKES SURPRISE

Pebbles to upstage the colts

By Mandarin

Not since the 2,000 Guineas of 1971 can I recall a race arousing as much interest as this afternoon's Dubai Champion Stakes. Fourteen years ago, the showdown between My Swallow and Mill Reef, the leading two-year-olds of 1970, was the talking point for months before the first colts' classic and opinions were sharply divided as to their relative *merits*.

Today, Newmarket will again be the setting for the eagerly-awaited encounter between the leading four-year-old colt, Commanche Run, and Slip Anchor, the outstanding colt of the classic generation.

Again the racing world is split down the middle. But just as a third party, Brigadier Gerard, pounced to beat the market leaders in 1971, I now expect Pebbles to upstage the ante-post joint-favourites.

My reasons for selecting Pebbles are threefold: fillies have a marvellous recent record in the race (seven out of the last 12 winners were fillies); she has arguably greater acceleration than the colts; the race is likely to be run to suit her.

With Commanche Run and Slip Anchor both having produced their outstanding performances when making the running, Lester Piggott and Steve Cauthen seem likely to take each other on from an early stage of the race and this could well play into Pat Eddery's hands on Pebbles.

The ground also seems sure to favour Clive Brittain's filly. Both her group one successes (1,000 Guineas and Eclipse) were gained on good to firm going and with precious little rain at Newmarket in recent weeks, the ground is now definitely riding on the fst side of good.

In contrast, Commanche Run's group one victories (St Ledger, Benson & Hedges Gold Cup, Phoenix Champion) came on good, good to soft and soft going, while Slip Anchor's Epson Derby and Lingfield Derby trial success were both achieved on good going. In addition those victories by the son of Shirley Heights were gained on courses with a conformation totally different to that of Newmarket.

There are form lines linking the three which involve Rainbow Quest, Oh So Sharp and Damister but, for various reasons, It is impossible to draw any positive conclusions from these. However, whatever one's allegiance, there is little question that Pebbles, at yesteday's ante-post price of 6-1, represents far better value than either of the market leaders and she is my sporting nap to deprive the Commanche Run camp of their much-publicized million-dollar moment of glory.

I find it hard to look beyond the three principals and only if one of them has an off day, would I expect last year's winner, Palace Music, or the Irish Oaks winner, Helen Street, to reach the frame.

The search for value has also influenced my decision to select *Trapeze Artist for the Tote* Cesarewitch. While the ante-post joint-favourites, Careo and Bourbon Boy, have unquestionably strong claims, particulary now that Destroyer has stood his ground and the weights have not risen, the 4–1 generally on offer about this pair in a field of 22 is mean in the extreme.

Trapeze Artist, a 14–1 chance, looks just as attractively weighted, especially with Steve Dawson's claim reducing his weight by 3lb to 7st 9 lb. Nick Vigor's four-year-old was napped in this column to win the Ascot Stakes at the Royal meeting in June but, after meeting trouble in running, he had to settle for a close third behind Meadowbrook.

He has since shown his liking for Newmarket by outstaying High Tern in August and again ran well when third under 9st 7lb to All is Revealed in last month's Gordon Carter Handicap at Ascot. Form lines through High Tern and Meadowbrook, who finished second and third to Careo at Goodwood recently, give Trapeze Artist a similar chance to Guy Harwood's three-year-old and my selection's greater experience could tilt the scales in his favour in a race of this nature.

I also have a high regard for Sneak Preview, the mount of Chris Rutter, and Henry Candy certainly has a strong hand with this one and High Plains (Tyrone Williams) running for him.

Classic contenders could easily emerge from the three two-year-old races which follow the Cesarewitch. Mill on the Floss, the probable favourite for the Chevington Stud Rockfel Stakes, has already stamped herself a leading Oaks hope with her Newbury win and I also hear highly favourable reports of Shirzad (Houghton Stakes) and Dolka (Snailwell Maiden Stakes).

David Elsworth, who saddles Jamesmead and Floyd in the Cesarewitch, has bright prospects of landing a double at Kempton Park with Allied Newcastle (2.0) and Desert Orchid (3.20) while the Doncaster Cup third, Bespoke, has the class to make a winning start to his hurdling career in the Philip Cornes Qualifier (1.30).

BIG RACE FIELD

2.20 DUBAI CHAMPION STAKES (Group 1: £87,200: 1m 2f) (10 runners)

201 133203 ART EDICT (bc Artaius-Edles Double) (W Blakey) R Stubbs 4-9-3
(White, black, chevron, hooped sleeves and cap) J Mercer 2

202 11-1311 COMMANCHE RUN (D) (bc Run The Gauntlet-Volley) (Ivan Allen) L Cumani 4-9-3 ..... L Piggott 10
(Red, light blue chevrons on body)

203 2221-41 PALACE MUSIC (chc The Minstrel-Come My Prince) (N Hunt) (CD) P-L Biancone (Fr) 4-9-3 ..... Y Saint-Martin 3
(Light and dark green check, light green sleeves white cap)

204 122-121 PEBBLES (CD) (chf Sharpen Up-La Dolce) (Sheikh Mohammed C Britain 4-9-0 ..... Pat Eddery 8
(Maroon, white sleeves and star on cap)

205 1-31112 SLIP ANCHOR (bc Shirley Heights-Sayonara) (Ld H de Walden) (CD) (BF) H Cecil 3-8-10 ..... S Cauthen 4
(Apricot)

206 134003 SUPREME LEADER (bc Bustino-Princess Zena) (Capt M Lamos) C Brittain 3-8-10 ..... P Robinson 1
(Royal Blue, white hoop on body, striped cap)

207 0-41342 VERTIGE (D) (bc Lyphard's Wish-Valhalla (D Wildenstein) P-L Biancone (Fr) 3-8 -10 ..... G Mosse 7
(Royal blue, light blue epaulets and cap)

208 122214 VIN DE FRANCE (chc Foolish Pleasure - Virunga) (D Wildenstein) P-L Biancone (Fr) 3-8-10 ..... E Legrix 9
(Royal blue, light blue epaulets and cap)

209 2-34130 HELEN STREET (bf Troy-Waterway) (Sir M Sobell) W Hern 3-8-7
(Pale blue, yellow and white check cap) W Carson 6

210 4-04443 ZAIZAFON (chf The Minstrel – Mofida) (K Abdulla) B Hills 3-8-7
(Green, pink sash and cap, white sleeves) B Thomson 5

1984: Palace Music 3 8 10 Y Saint-Martin (18-1) P-L Biancone 15 ran

5-4 Slip Anchor, 6-4 Commanche Run, 6 Pebbles, 16 Helen Street, 20 Palace Music, 25 Vin de France, 33 Zaizafon, 50 Supreme Leader, 66 Vertige, 500 Art Edict.

FORM: PEBBLES (9-4) beat Rainbow Quest (9-7) 2l at Sandown 1m 2f stks good to firm, July 6, earlier (9-4) 1½ 2nd to Bob Back (9-7) with COMMANCHE RUN (9-7) a short head away in 3rd, Ascot (1m 4f, £30,380, good to firm, June 18, 4 ran) subsequently COMMANCHE RUN (9-8) beat Bob Back (9-6) 3l with HELEN STREET (9-6) ¼l *further back in 5th, Phoenix Park (1m 2, £26,600, soft, Sept 8, 11 ran)*; previously (9-6) beat Oh So Sharp (8-7) ½l with PALACE MUSIC (9-6) 9½l away in 4th and SUPREME LEADER (8-10) a neck further back in 5th, York (1m 2f, £93,600, good to soft Aug 20, 8 ran), last season, PALACE MUSIC (8-10) beat Peebles (8-7) a neck, here (1m 2f, £88,040, good, Oct 20, 15 ran). SLIP ANCHOR (8-11) ½l 2nd to *Shernazar* (9-2) with SUPREME LEADER (8-4) 15l away in 3rd, Kempton (1m 3f, £17,300, good, Sept 6, 5 ran); earlier (9-0) made all to win Derby by 7l from Law Society (9-0) with SUPREME LEADER (9-0) a further 6½ away 4th, Epsom (1m 4f, £204,150, good, June 5: 14 ran). VIN DE FRANCE (8-12) 2½l 4th to Rousillon (9-2) at Longchamp earlier (8-5) beat VERTIGE (8-9) at Deauville (8f, £49,223, soft, Aug 18, 11 ran). ZAIZAFON (8-4) 2½l 3rd to Shadeed (9-0) at Ascot (8f, £28,068, firm, Sept 28, 7 ran).
Selection: SLIP ANCHOR.



Huntingdale (right) holds the challenges of Bakharoff and Sure Blade (left) to win the *Dewhurst Stakes. Woodman (spotted cap) finished fifth (Photograph: Ian Stewart)*

Huntingdale causes a stir

By Michael Seely

Huntingdale, who was returned to the vendors for failing a wind test after being sold as a yearling, became one of the joint-favourites for next season's 2,000 Guineas by winning the *William Hill* Dewhurst Stakes at Newmarket yesterday.

Ridden by Michael Hills, the colt quickened decisively racing up the hill to win by three-quarters of a length from Bakharoff. Sure Blade, the 11-8 favourite, finished a short head away in third place, followed by Tanaos and Woodman. The strongly fancied Jareer was the first horse beaten and came in fast.

As Nomination took a clear advantage over two furlongs from home, *Brent Thomson was poised to* challenge on Sure Blade. Hills was starting a run on the outside on Huntingdale *while Greville Starkey* was extricating Bakharoff from behind a wall of horses. Pat Eddery was also attempting to launch an assault on the Vincent O'Brien-trained Woodman. Nomination weakened quickly as the winner accelerated to put his stamp on the race and Bakharoff finished strongest of all.

As the big battalions gloomily considered the result of our most important race for two-year-olds, *there was jubilation in the* unsaddling enclosure as Jeremy Hindley, the winning trainer, celebrated one of the most important triumphs of his career.

Rowena Nurse, one of the joint-owners, was weeping tears of happiness by Huntingdale's head. *"You've no call to be ashamed of* crying," Mick Easterby, the Yorkshire trainer, said, patting his friend gently on the head.

"Brian Haggas bought the colt as a yearling at Newmarket last October," Hindley explained, "and when he was spun by the vet, my sister, Dilly Threlfall, formed a syndicate of five including Anne Sutton, the breeder, and her daughter, Rowena."

Mrs Sutton has been involved in racing for many years. She was also the breeder of that fast filly, Mayday Melody, and one of her *forebears the Glasgow Ironmaster*, James Merry, won the Derby in 1860 with Thormanby.

"This must be the best classic prospect I've had," Hindley said, "but I was slightly surprised he won today as I thought he'd make a better horse next year. I certainly intend to train him for the 2,000 Guineas."

Bakharoff's strong-finishing effort continued the revival of Guy *Harwood's fortunes. "Greville* said that, although he was baulked in his run, it made no difference." Harwood said. "The colt couldn't quicken at the vital moment. He needs a *mile already and if he comes* out of the race all right, we might go for the William Hill Futurity."

Barry Hills also advanced no excuses for Sure Blade. "Brent has been suffering from flu and the colt *was a bit squeezed for room three* out. But I have no complaints and will be back here next spring for the Guineas."

After O'Brien had failed to win his eighth Dewhurst with Woodman, *the Tipperary trainer said:* "He's won all his races on soft ground and Pat thought he'd do better on this faster going. But he just lost his action and found nothing."

However, as the trainers retire into winter quarters to consider the problem, Geoffrey Gibbs, the senior jockey club handicapper, will have to consider the evidence of yesterday's result before he makes his final assessment. And unless the Horris Hill Stakes or the William Hill Futurity produces an exceptional two-year-old it will come as no surprise if Huntingdale, Sure Blade and Trnely Nureyev are sharing the honours at the head of the 1985 free handicap. *We certainly have not* seen a potential champion yet.

Today's course specialists

NEWMARKET

TRAINERS: H Cecil, 100 winners from 370 runners 27.0%; M Stoute, 57 from 368, 15.9%; W O'Gorman, 28 from 201, 13.9%.
JOCKEYS: *L* Piggott, 121 winners from 559 rides 21.6%; S Cauthen, 71 from 501, 14.2%; Pat Eddery, 61 from 495, 12.3%.

CATTERICK

TRAINERS: *M* Stoute, 11 winners from 34 runners 32.4%; M Prescott, 21 from 71, 29.6%; B Hills, 14 from 52, 26.9%
JOCKEYS: G Duffield, 42 winners from rides 17.3%; *S* Peaks, *15* from 133, 11.3%;*M* Birch, 23 from 205, 11.2%.

Arc appeal rejected by French stewards

From Desmond Stoneham, Paris

Rainbow Quest is the winner of *the Trusthouse Forte Prix de l'Arc* de Triomphe and that is now official following the dismissal yesterday of an appeal lodged by Daniel Wildenstein. He is the part-owner of Sagace who beat Rainbow Quest by a neck prior to being disqualified for causing interference.

Eric Legrix, the rider of Sagace had his four-day suspension confirmed and it will start on Monday, leaving him free to ride Vin de France in today's Dubai Champion Stakes and Air de Cour in tomorrow's Rothmans International at Woodbine, in Canada.

The appeal stewards deliberated for a further 48 hours after the hearing as they wished to study new film evidence which was finally rejected. Speaking for his father after the rejection of their appeal, Alec Wildenstein said: "We were very surprised by the decision which *we now reluctantly accept.*"

The main event at Longchamp tomorrow is the group two Prix du Conseil de Paris which may be won for the second successive year by the Aga Khan's Lashkari. He went on to take the Breeders' Cup Turf Race and was recently runner-up to Air De Cour in the Grand Prix de Deauville. On that form he should *hold Jupiter Island and a bigger* danger is the improving Saint Estephe (Lester Piggott).

Orojoya and Brent Thomson contest the five-furlong Prix du Petit Couvert for which my selection is Breath Taking, who, like Orojoya, is owned by Robert Sangster.

Stewart tops first session

Good trade on the *fifth day* of the Newmarket October Yearling Sales saw the local trainer, Alec Stewart, top the first sessin with a bid of 60,000 guineas for a filly from the first crop of the Prix Eugene Adam winner, What A Guest. Her dam, Dame Brisene, is a full sister to the French 2,000 Guineas winner, Moulines.

David Minton, of the Curragh Bloodstock Agency, had to go to 46,000 guineas to acquire a son of Formidable for a patron of Michael Stoute's stable. Michael Dickinson, who begins training for Robert Sangster at Manton next season, was the underbidder.

NEWMARKET Ch4

(Televised: 1.45, 2.20, 3.05)

Going: good to firm
Draw advantage: none

1.45 POLYCELL--WILLIE CARSON APPRENTICE CHALLENGE FINAL (HANDICAP) (£4,090: 1m 2f) (9 runners)

102 3011100 ALL FAIR (T Glover) R Whitaker 4-9-7 ..... N Carson 5
104 030302 ROYAL HALO (Mrs D Campbell) G Harwood 4-8-3 ..... S Hill 9
107 000000 ANDRIOS (C) (Mrs H Cambanis) B Hobbs 3-8-11 ..... P Simms 1
110 000-023 COURT AND SPEAK (C) (Cyzer) M Usher 4-8-6 ..... Darren Dinsley 5 3
111 3-33019 RITUAL MUSIC (*R Sangster*) B Hills 3-8-4 ..... C Dwyer 5 2
112 220301 MASTER LINE (Mrs D Anderson) H Candy 4-8-1 (5ex) ..... P Cecil 5 2
113 000303 THE GAME'S UP (B) (B Chase) P Haslam 4-8-0 ..... B Murtagh 5 2
116 100006 PERSIAN KNIGHT (D) (Miss S Holmes) W Musson 3-7-12 ..... B Unlacke 6
118 022103 WARWICK SUITE (D) (BF) (*Sir S Le Marchant*) W Hastings-Bass 3-7-9 ..... Dale Gibson 7

1984: High Pitched 5-7-7 C Rutter (7-2) M Haynes 9 ran

7-2 Master Line, 4 Royal Halo, 9-2 Ritual Music, 7 All Fair, 8 Court And Spark, 10 The Game's Up, Warwick Suite, 12 Persian Knight, 14 Andrios

FORM: ALL FAIR (7-12 last successful when beating Milk Heart (8-5) 2½l with ANDRIOS back in 10th at York (6f, £5422, good to soft, Aug 21, 12 ran). ROYAL HALO (8-12) ½l 2nd to Cherry Hill (8-0) with THE GAME'S UP (7-9) 3l away in 3rd at Ascot (*1m 2f, £8714, good, Oct 11, 12 ran*). COURT AND SPARK (9-0) 2½l 2nd to Sharp Noble (8-7) at Warwick (1m 2f, £1164, good to firm, Oct 14, 12 ran). RITUAL MUSIC (7-12) under 11 3rd to Henry The Lion (8-6) here (1m 2f, £5150, good Oct 3, 14 ran). MASTER LINE (8-0) 3l winner from Aquaba Prince (7-4) at York (9f, £7085, good, Oct 12, 19 ran). PERISIAN KNIGHT (9-7) last successful when beating Withy Bank (8-10) at Hamilton (1m 3f, £1741, firm, June 1, 11 ran).
selection: COURT AND SPARK

2.20 DUBAI CHAMPION STAKES (Group I: £87,200: 1m 2f)
SEE RUNNERS ABOVE

3.05 TOTE CESAREWITCH HANDICAP (£29,162: 2m 2f) (22)

301 041300 DESTROYER (C) (D Muir) K Brassey 4-9-11 ..... S Whitworth 8
305 111012 BOURBON BOY (Sheikh Mohammed) M Stoute 3-8-8 ..... W R Swinburn 17
304 011200 NESTOR (P Hamlyn) G Lewis 5-8-4 ..... P Waldron 15
307 014302 TRADE LINE (M Scott) R Sheather 4-7-12 ..... R Cochrane 9
306 *441003* TRAPEZE ARTIST (B) (BF) (Introgroup Holdings) N Vigors 4-7-12 ..... S Dawson 3 1
309 1111 CAREO (K Abdulla) G Harwood 3-7-11 ..... W Carson 22
310 0122-08 KAYUDEE (Kenton Utilities) J FitzGerald 5-7-11 ..... A Murray 21
313 *020101* JAMESMEAD (C) (D Allen) D Elsworth 4-7-10 (4ex) ..... Pat Eddery 3
315 11-0046 TOM SHARP (CD) (M Yarrow) W Wharton 5-7-9 ..... R Fox 12
316 010420 FLOYD (M Wallen) D Elsworth 5-7-9 ..... D Brown 5
317 4/28222 INLANDER (J Daniels) J Davies 4-7-7 ..... – 7
318 402030 JACKDAW (J Bigg) R Hollinshead 5-7-7 ..... N Carlisle 10
319 3222020 ACCURACY (D) (BF) (Miss B Swire) G Balding *4-7-7* ..... G Dickie *4*
320 0-02101 HIGH PLAINS (R Barnett) H Candy 3-7-7 ..... T Williams 11
321 022324 FISHPOND (A Simpson) R Holder 4-7-7 ..... A Proud 18
322 004010 SNEAK PREVIEW (D) (Exors of late H Gross) H Candy 5-7-7 ..... C Rutter 5 6
323 204004 FLYING OFFICER (B) (A Sheikrake) M Pipe 5-7-7 ..... *A Stouts 5 16*
324 104320 LHASA (Lady H de Walden) E Weymes 3-7-7 ..... R Street 19
328 300/0-00 NEWMARKET SAUSAGE (G Dawes) G M Moore 4-7-7 ..... J Callaghan 7 14
327 02040 KEY ROYAL (A Duffield) G Calvert 4-7-7 ..... M Fry 20
326 021341 TRESIDDER (*Hippodrome Racing*) *M W Easterby 3-7-7* ..... *L Charnock* 13
329 004010 SUGAR PALM (B) (F Broom) R Hannon 4-7-7 ..... M L Thomas 2

1984: Tom Sharp 4-7-5 S Dawson (40-1) W Wharton 28 ran

4 Careo, 5 Bourbon *Boy, 8 Kayudee, 10 High Plains, 12 Trapeze* Artist, 14 Floyd, 16 Trade Line, Accuracy, 20 Jameshead, Inlanders 25 Tom Sharp, Sneak Preview, Tresidder, 33 Destroyer, Nestor, 40 Fishpond, 66 others

FORM: BOURBON BOY (7-6) a neck second to Spicy Story (8-9) with DESTROYER (8–12) 10½l away in 6th, Doncaster (2m 2f, £21246, good to firm, Sept 12, 8 ran). TRADE LINE (9-7) 5l 2nd to All Is Revealed (7-10) at Ascot; earlier (9-4) 2½l 3rd to Obertura, (8-11) 2l further back in 5th, FLOYD (8-12) well beaten 8th and NESTOR (9-10) a distant 9th, Goodwood (2m 3f, £7648, good, July 31, *10 ran*). CAREO (9-10) beat High Tern (9-5) 3l with SUGAR PALM (8-8) 5½l away in 5th, Goodwood (2m 3f, £2595, good to firm, Sept 30, 10 ran), KAYUDEE (9-5) best effort when *7½l 2nd* and 13 to Symbolic (8-7) at Thirsk, with TRADE LINE (8-1) on 2l back in 4th and JACKDAW 9½l in 9th (2m, £4318, good to firm, Sept 5). HIGH PLAINS (7-8) 12l winner from Bollin Place (7-7) with JACKDAW (8-1) a short head away 3rd, Chester (1m 7f, £3416, good, Aug 30, 7 ran).
Selection: KAYUDEE.

3.35 HOUGHTON STAKES (2-y-o: £9,645: 7f) (7)

401 1 BARCLAY STREET (D) (Ld Matthews) Mrs C Reavey 9-4 ..... N Day 4
402 1 FARM CLUB (G Sangster) J Tree 9-4 ..... B Thomas 6
403 *0 CASAR (E Moller) G Wragg 8-11* ..... *L Piggott* 3
405 4 PICEA (T Warner) M Jarvis 8-11 ..... T Ives 7
408 0 VERDANT BOY (BF) (Sheikh Mohammed) M Stoute 8-11 ..... W R Swinburn 5
409 LAUGHTER (The Queen) W Hern 8-8 ..... W Carson 2
410 *SHIRZAD (K Abdulla) J Tree 8-8* ..... Pat Eddery 1

1984: Shadeed 8-11 W R Swinburn (11-10 fav) M Stoute 15 ran

15-8 Verdant Boy, 11-4 Farm Club, 4 Laughter, 6 Ciger, 8 Picea, 12 others

4.5 CHEVINGTON STUD ROCKFEL STAKES (2-y-o: £12,271: 7f) (9)

502 01 BUSTARA (E Moller) G Wragg 8-8 ..... Pat Eddery 8
503 1 MILL ON THE FLOSS (D) (L Freedman) H Cecil 8-8 ..... S Cauthen 5
505 12324 SHINING POPPY (Guiting Stud Ltd) P Cole 8-8 ..... T Quinn 1
506 1 SINGLETTA (D) (Sheikh Mohammed) M Stoute 8-8 ..... W R Swinburn 3
507 13 SWEET ADELAIDE (R Sangster) B Hills 8-8 ..... B Thomson 9
508 2 BASICALLY BETTER (Bloodstock and Stud Investment) P Walwyn 8-5 ..... J Mercer 2
511 03 LIKENESS (Ld Porchester) W Hern 8-5 ..... W Carson 4
512 303 PILFER (Ld Tavistock) W Jarvis 8-5 ..... T Ives 7
515 3 TRALTHEE (A Clore) L Cumani 8-5 ..... L Piggott 6

1984: Kashi Lagoon 8-5 B'Raymond (9-2) B Hanbury 9 ran

11-10 Mill On The Floss, 4 Singletta, 6 Likeness, Sweet Adelaide, 8 Tralthee, 10 Busters, 12 Basically Better, 16 others

Newmarket selections

By Mandarin

1.45 The Game's Up. 2.20 PEBBLES (nap). 3.5 Trapeze Artist. 3.35 Shirzad. 4.5 Mill on the Floss. 4.40 Dolka. 5.5 Dress in Spring.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

1.45 Warwick Suite. 2.20 Slip Anchor. 3.5 Bourbon Boy. 3.35 Cigar. 4.5 Mill on the Floss. 4.40 Dolka.

By Michael Seely

2.20 Commanche Run. 3.5 CAREO (nap). 4.40 Dolka.

4.40 SNAILWELL MAIDEN STAKES (2-y-o: £4,935: 6f) (20)

601 BOLD CELT (J Haggerty) C Booth 9-0 ..... R Hills 13
602 0 COOL OPERATOR (D Johnson) R Williams 9-0 ..... R Cochrane 4
603 DANCING EAGLE (A Balzarini) M Jarvis 9-0 ..... L Piggott 14
604 30 DIGGER'S REST (BF) (Sir P Oppenheimer) G Wragg 9-0 ..... Paul Eddery 2
606 00 FRUITY O'ROONEY (W Gradley) R Armstrong 9-0 ..... W Carson 17
607 HABITUALLY (K Abdulla) G Harwood 9-0 ..... G Starkey 12
606 2 IN FACT (BF) (K Abdulla) J Tree 9-0 ..... Pat Eddery 16
609 KINGS TOUCH (*Mrs S MacMaster*) P-L Biancone (Fr) 9-0 ..... T Quinn 9
611 00000 MAGNETIC CHARM (J Livock) D Thom 9-0 ..... – 18
612 PENTLAND HAWK (S Hill) R Hollinshead 9-0 ..... – 1
613 003 PRAIRIE SCHOONER (Mrs D Sieff) J Winter 9-0 ..... J Mercer 6
614 REIGNBEAU (Mrs B Clarke) G Lewis 9-0 ..... P Waldron 5
615 0 SAXON BAZAAR (D Lachams) M Usher 9-0 ..... M Wigham 15
618 00400 WALCISIN (C Rogers) R Hannon 9-0 ..... A McGlone 10
619 CLASS ACTION (R Arculli) R Armstrong 8-11 ..... S Cauthen 3
620 DOLKA (H H Aga Khan) M Stoute 8-11 ..... W R Swinburn 8
621 HIGHLAND BALL (E Moller) G Wragg 8-11 ..... D Gibson 20
623 00 KIRSTEN'S FANTASY (B) (F Northcott) R Armstrong 8-11 ..... G Sexton 7
625 MUNERA (A Fousstok) W O'Gorman 8-11 ..... T Ives 19
627 SOEMBA (Sir P Oppenheimer) G Wragg 8-11 ..... P Robinson 11

1984: Bylrush 9-0 W Carson (11-2) W Hern 26 ran

7-4 Dolka, 5-2 In Fact, 7-2 Habitually, 7 Digger's Rest, 10 Dancing Eagle, 12 Munera, 20 others

5.5 WILLIE CARSON–POLYCELL CHALLENGE (2-y-o: £1,000 each: 6f) (2)

1 *000300* DRESS IN SPRING (*Spring House Dresses*) G Blum 8-11 2
2 000000 MA FLEUR (Mrs A Dale) D Dale 8-11 ..... W Carson 1

RESERVES

3 000000 KEEP IT LOW (Spring House Dresses) G Blum 8-11 ..... –
4 000000 OUR REMEDY (Mrs A Dale) D Dale 8-11 ..... –

2-5 Dress In Spring, 6-4 Ma Fleur

● Winning apprentice from 1.45 race rides Dress In Spring

Newmarket results

2.0 (1m) 1. TOM ISAAC (T Williams, 5-1); 2, Perspiration (M Hills, 9-4 fav); 3, Passion Play (D McKeown, 10-1). ALSO RAN: 6 Commander Meaden (5th), 9 Dawn Mirage, 10 Another Jose. Foul Shot. Run For Your Wife (4th), 12 Chummy's Own, Grandangus (8th), Miami In Spring, 14 Arch Princess, 16 Nelsonsuperyankee, 25 Murinaus, Sunshine Lad. 15 ran. ¾l, 1½l, 3l, ½l, 3l. P Haslam at Newmarket. TOTE: £5.90: £2.70, £1.40, £1.60. DF: £5.30. CSF: £19.22. 1 min 41.99 sec. Bought in 6,200 gns.

2.35 (1m 4f) 1. ROSTOVA (S Cauthen, 10-1); 2. Inset Lady (P Robinson, 12-1); 3, Hansard (G Starkey, 2-1 fav). ALSO RAN: 5 Voracity (4th), 11-2 Norther River, 9 Sarah's Venture (6th), 10 No Control, 12 Whichcraft (5th), 8 ran. Nk, 5l, 1½, 7l, ½l. C Britain at Newmarket. TOTE: £11.50: £3.00, £2.70, £1.30. DF: £58.10. CSF: £95.67. 2 min 33.51 sec.

3.10 WILLIAM HILL DEWHURST STAKES (Group I: 2-y-o: £39,910: 7f)

HUNTINGDALE ch c by Double Form – Abbeydale (Mrs P Threlfall) 9-0 M Hills (12-1) 1
Bakharoff b c by The Minstrel – Oul Royalty (K Abdulla) 9-0 ..... G Starkey (11-1) 2
Sure Blade b c by Kris – Double Lock (Sheikh Mohammed) 9-0 B Thomson (11-8 fav) 3

Also Ran: 100-30 Jareer, 11-2 Woodman (5th), 10 Nomination (6th), 20 Tanaos (4th), 66 Bright As Night. 8 ran. ¾l, sh hd, ¾l, 1l, nk. J Hindley at Newmarket.

TOTE: Win: £21.40. Places: £3.00, £1.80, £1.20. DF: £33.70. CSF: £110.48.

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3.40 1. NORTH QUEEN (J Mercer, 13-2 fav); 2, Zanzala (W Bradshaw, 15-2); 3, Canaga Health (G Starkey, 10-1). 4, Young Inca (R Cochrane, 9-1). ALSO RAN: 9 Ides Of *March*, 12 Green Ruby (5th), Miami Prince, 14 Cardi, 14 Gentileschi, Quaver (6th), Transtlash, 16 Foxy Dyke, Lyric Way, 20 Tobermory Boy, Al A mean, 33 Rotherfield Greys, Young Angel, Jailed. 18 ran. NR: Armitage, 1½l, 1l, sh-hd, ¾l. G Lewis at Epsom. TOTE: £8.30: £1.90, £1.80, £3.10. £1.70. DF: £12.40. CSF: £51.12.

4.10 (7f) SYLVAN EXPRESS (G Carter, 4-1 fav); 2, Valinglorious (J Mastrias, 10-1); 3, Auction Fever (B Thomson, 12-1); 4, Hotzif (W Carson, 10-1). ALSO RAN: 8 Mount Martha, Pannanich Wells, 10 Golden Ancona, Niccolo Polo, 12 All A Dream, Are You Guilty, 14 Fiesty (5th), Handspring, 20 Swifts' Pet, 25 Calixtus, Vague Shot (6th), Fleet Footed, Icaro, 17 ran. 1½l, nk, sh-hd, ¾l, 1l. P Mitchell at Epsom. TOTE: £4.40: £1.80, £2.50, £2.40, £1.80. DF: £22.60. CSF: £43.56. TRICAST: £411.61. 1min 27.27sec.

4.45 (1m) 1, INDIAN HAL (Pat Eddery, 13-2); 2, *Qualifair Flyer (P Robinson, 12-1)*; 3, Frax (L Piggott, 5-1). ALSO RAN: 6-4 fav daring (6th), 5 Chapelet, 9 Alqirm (5th), 14 Midnight Tiger, 16 Red Rocks, 20 Creasger (4th), 9 ran. sh-hd, ¾l, 1, 1½l, hd,. P Walwyn at Lambourn. TOTE: £6.00: £1.30, £2.20, £1.80. DF: £55.30. CSF: £72.60. 1min 40.68sec. PLACEPOT: £10.40.

STRATFORD SELECTIONS (By Mandarin): 2.0 Hanlin. 2.30 Patsy Pennell. 3.0 Elm boy. 3.30 Killesyr Kim. 4.0 Man About Town. 4.30 Gambridge Jupiter. 5.0 Tigerwood.

KELSO SELECTIONS (By Mandarin): 2.15 Jack Of Clubs. 2.45 Kissboy. 3.15 Our Louisa. 3.45 Alleries. 4.15 Miniature Miss. 4.45 Top O'Th' Lane.

KEMPTON PARK Ch4

Television: 1.30, 2.0, 2.40

GOING: firm

1.30 PHILIP CORNES NOVICE (QUALIFIER) (£2,138: 2m 4f) (11 runners)

3 1111 RUNNING COMMENT (D) N Henderson 11-11-4 ..... S Smith Eccles
5 3-11 STICK OF ROCK D Barons 5-11-4 ..... P Nicholls
6 1112 YACARE J Gifford 6-11-4 ..... R Rowe
7 03-12 BRONSKI (BF) J Jenkins 4-11-3 ..... S Sherwood
20 2323- JIMMY BOY P Butler 5-11-0 ..... M Furlong
25 BESPOKE T Forster 4-10-13 ..... H Davies
26 3-113 BOLT HOLE G Dodds 6-10-13 ..... B Wright
27 3023- COLDHARBOUR LAD E Beaver 4-10-13 ..... P Guest 4
28 KINSBOURNE BAY M Connell 4-10-13 ..... S De Haan
30 004-U OLD ALEX (B) J Bridger 4-10-13 ..... R Goldstein
32 33-04 ROYAL CRAFTSMAN Mrs N Smith 4-10-13 ..... Mr T Thomson Jones

1984: Mount Bolus 4-10-13 P Double (9-2) D Oughton 16 ran

3 Stick Of Rock, 7-2 Running Comment, 4 Bespoke, 6 Yacare, 8 Bolt Hole, 12 Bronski, Royal Craftsman, 16 others.

FORM: RUNNING COMMENT (12-2) 15l defeat of Corston Lad (10-2) at Fontwell (2m 2f, nov h, £628, firm, Oct 3, 3 ran). STICK OF ROCK (11-10) a distance winner from Maluba Hill (11-0) at Newton Abbot (2m 1f, nov h, £560, good, Aug 28, 4 ran). YACARE (10-3) short head 2nd to Rhythmic Pastimes (11-12) at Chepstow (2m 4f, h, £1,988, good, Oct 5, 7 ran). BRONSKI (11-7) neck 2nd to Surmoore (11-2) at Chepstow (2m 4f, nov h, £1,475, good, Oct 5, 15 ran). BOLT HOLE 3rd to Wassen last time, previously (11-5) 9l scored from Joscille (10-7) at Devon (2m 1f, nov h, £550, firm, Sep 20, 16 ran). ROYAL CRAFTSMAN (11-0) 11l 4th to Folly Hill (11-7) at Cheltenham (2m, nov h, £1,475, good, Oct 9, 14 ran).
Selection: RUNNING COMMENT.

2.0 STEEL PLATE & SECTIONS YOUNG CHASERS QUALIFIER (NOVICES) (£2,294: 2m) (6)

1 1111 ALLIED NEWCASTLE D Elsworth 5-11-6 ..... C Brown
2 2/14P- ARCTIC STREAM F Walwyn 6-11-4 ..... K Mooney
3 2010- CHARCOAL WALLY R Hodges 6-11-4 ..... R Linley
10 0030- PADDY O'MALLEY J Gifford 5-11-3 ..... R Rowe
12 00-41 RHYTHMIC PASTIMES J Jenkins 5-11-3 ..... S Smith Eccles
13 03-21 WELSH OAK D Gandolfo 5-11-3 ..... G McCourt

1984: No corresponding race

Evens Allied Newcastle, 4 Rhythmic Pastimes, 11-2 Welsh Oak, 8 *Arctic Stream. 10 Charcoal Wally, 14 Paddy O'Malley.*

FORM: ALLIED NEWCASTLE (11-6) 3l defeat of Lord Laurance (11-3) at Devon (2m 1f, nov ch, £1,652, firm, Sep 28, 13 ran). ARCTIC STREAM *pulled up behind Lamoch on last outing* in 1984-85, *prior to that (11-1)* a short head defeat of Play Boy (11-1) at Cheltenham (2m, nov h, £1,831, good, Oct 24, 7 ran). CHARCOAL WALLY unplaced behind Harry Hastings at Cheltenham earlier (11-3) 2l defeat of Music Be Magic (11-6) at Doncaster (2m 1f, nov h, £5,764, firm, Feb 23, 9 ran) with WELSH OAK (10-5) challenging when fell 2 out latest WELSH OAK (11-5) 12l victory over Midsummer Express (12-0) at Bangor (2m 1f, nov ch, £1,171, good to firm, Sep 21, 9 ran). RHYTHMIC PASTIMES (11-12) prevailed by short head from Yacare (10-3) at Chepstow (2m 4f, h, £1,988, good, Oct 5, 6 ran).
Selection: ALLIED NEWCASTLE

2.40 CHARISMA RECORDS GOLD CUP (HANDICAP CHASE) (£5,126: 3m) (4)

1 004P- EVERETT (CD) F Walwyn 10-11-0 ..... S Shilston
2 10P0- DUKE OF MILAN (CD) *N Gaselee 8-10-13* ..... S Smith Eccles
3 1U12- CASTLE WARDEN (D) J Edwards 8-10-6 ..... P Barton
6 F0F-1 KING OR COUNTRY (D) D Barons 14-10-3 (8 ex) ..... R Davies

1984: Everett 9-11-10 S Shilston (7-2) F Walwyn 7 ran

7-4 Everett, 2 King Or Country, 11-4 Duke Of Milan, 6 Castle Warden

2.45 ECKFORD NOVICE CHASE (2m 6f: £847) (15)

2 3-12 Supreme Bid 8-12-0 ..... C Hawkins
5 0/68 Chancrbe Stream 6-11-7 ..... Mr M Thompson 4
4 414 End of Era 7-11-2 ..... S Moore
5 434- Miss Albert Town 7-11-2 ..... R Dunwoody
6 32/8 Cimsharagh 9-11-7 ..... M Dwyer
9 p/3 Kerrasse 7-11-7 ..... J K Kinane
10 3/94 Monalliet 9-11-7 ..... Mr P Johnson 7
12 2s-9 Parsage 7-11-7 ..... Mr C Sample
14 1-11 Pennine Walk 7-11-7 ..... B Dowlan
15 222 Prince Santiago 6-11-7 ..... C Grant
16 68-6 Wanstead Flat 7-11

ATHLETICS

Defending champion caught up in battle

From Pat Butcher
Chicago

Steve Jones has run into marathon warfare in his attempt to retain the America's title he won here last year. The battle is between Bob Bright, the race director of Sunday's America's marathon in the windy city and Fred Lebow the established Mr Marathon', director of the Big Apple race – the New York City marathon – exactly one week later. The battle is over who runs the bigger race.

Jones, an RAF corporal from Tredegar, helped start the war last year, when, in his first completed marathon he achieved the world's best time of 2hr 8min 5sec in Chicago. Jones earned around $70,000 (about £50,000) for his victory: "the equivalent of nine years salary", and in his wake were Carlos Lopes, the Olympic champion Robert de Castella, the world champion.

The following week's New York race was won by Orlando Pizzolato, an unknown Italian, in 2.14.53, the slowest since the 1975 race.

Bright's Chicago race, looks like scooping the pool again this year Lebow had Ahmed Salch, the Djiboutian winner of the World Cup and Grete Waitz, the Norwegian chasing her seventh win But Chicago has Jones, who also won the London marathon earlier this year in a record time, defending against de Castella in what could be a preview of next year's Commonwealth Games marathon in Edinburgh. Facing them are two more of the Djibouti World Cup winning team, Djalma Robleh and Abdullah Charmake; Gabriel Kamau and Simeon Kigen, the top-ranked Kenyans, John Graham and Allister Hutton, former and current Scots record holders; and, running their first serious marathon, with the potential to do the same as Jones did last year, are Mike McLeod, Julian Goater and Dave Clarke.

The women's race promises even better, with Olympic champion Joan Benoit, facing Ingrid Kristiansen of Norway, the woman who took Benoit's world best time in London earlier this year with 2:21.06.

Piron picked

Paris (AFP) – Alain Piron, a 35-year-old physical education lecturer from Dijon, is France's new national athletics coach in place of Alain Godard, who was dismissed following the French team's relegation from the top division of the Europa Cup.

SNOOKER

£50,000 bait for Taylor

Dennis Taylor, the world champion, begins his defence of the Rothmans grand prix title at the Hexagon Theatre, Reading, today with a match against Rex Williams, the chairman of the World Professional Billiards and Snooker Association (Sydney Friskin writes). The winner of the tournament will receive a prize of £50,000.

On another table, Cliff Thorburn, of Canada, the winer of the Goya Matchroom Trophy tournament at Stoke-on-Trent earlier this month, and who is unbeaten this season, plays Mark Wildman. Thorburn was beaten by Taylor last year in the Rothmns final.

Most of the world's leading players have qualified for the fourth round at Reading, the notable absentees being Ray Reardon and Willie Thorne who were eliminated in earlier rounds.

SIDELINES
Gordon Allan

It is just a question of image

You can recognize minority sports by the bland, uncritical way they are reported. All is for the best in the best of possible worlds, in contrast to majority sports, in which it often seems that all is for the worst.

The only minority sport of which I have first-hand knowledge is bowls, and that, as I have pointed out before, is not, in the real sense, a minority sport at all, since it is played by hundreds of thousands of people in many countries. It is only a minority sport on the spectating side, which is enough to damn it in the eyes of the media, who grovel to the masses and love dead things like "gates" and audience ratings.

But never mind. Let us allow, for the nonce, that bowls is a minority sport. What must it do to become a majority sport?

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The image must be "macho." Out with white-clad figures in the parks. Out with sunshine and summer and cream teas. Out with sport and skill – and in with players hurling woods at each other and abusing officials, spectators burning deck-chairs and digging up the greens, and compulsory drug tests on competitors at Worthing and Bournemouth. Allegations of "fixed" matches and a few suspensions for life would also help.

So would sex scandals and personality clashes – bed and board. No sport worth the name is complete now without adultery and boardroom disagreements. The adultery must always be written up as if it had never happened before in the history of the world, and the disagreements as if the directors had wrestled on the boardroom carpet, when in fact hardly a voice had been raised in anger.

Given that image, bowls, or any minority sport, would be followed as fanatically as football, and the apologetic air about the way it is reported – when it is reported at all – would vanish.

And one day in the far future, the post-Bryant age, it would receive the ultimate tribute. People would start saying they were sick of the mindless hooligans on the off the green, that alcohol should be banned at big events, that they were frightened to take their families to matches, that the Government should act, and that the game was finished.

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BIRTHS

BAYNTUN On October 13th, to Elizabeth (née Allen) and Paul a daughter Sophie Rose, a sister for Harry

BIRD. - On October 10 to Emma and Nicky - a daughter (Maria Alice), a sister for Anna

BLACKER On 11th October in Hong Kong to Kaye (nee Boyd-Carpenter) and John a daughter Gemma.

BONANE. On October 17, to Davina and Stephen at Winchester – a son (Harold John)

BREWIN. On 17th October to Frances (nee Johnson) and David, a daughter, Claire Frances, sister to Jennifer

BRUMBY. On 16 October to Gay (nee Schulte) & Richard, a daughter Orla Caroline Edith a sister for Gerard, Helen & Leonie

BRZEZICKI. On October 16, to Colin and Diane (nee Vaillancourt) – a daughter (Catherine Rose), at East-bourne D G H

CLARKE. On 6 October at Dumfries, to Wanda (Julia, née Grieve) and John, a daughter, Oriel

CRIPPS. On October 13th, at Queen Charlottes Hospital, to Hilary (née McGowan) and Tim, a daughter Penelope Charlotte

FEW. On October 15 to Diana (nee Hamilton Fairley) and Edward – a son (David Gordon), a brother for Duirie

HAWKSLEY. On October 17 to Gay and Nick a daughter (Harriet Beatrice Margaret), a sister for Simon, Libby and Joe

JOHNS On 17th October, 1985, at Heatherwood Hospital, Ascot, to Susanne (Ivory) and Hugh, a first born son (Jack).

LAWRENCE. On October 14, to Charlotte (nee Logge) and Christopher – a daughter (Anna Elizabeth)

LITTLE. – On October 13 to Chantal (nee McBain) and Simon, a daughter, Jessamy India.

POOLE.– on October 14 in Ireland to Gina (nee Sowlby) and Dominic, a daughter

RUSSELL NEWMAN. – On October 18 to Maggie and Tom, a son (7lb 6oz).

BIRTHDAYS

CHARLES PRIESTLEY, Life begins today Happy Birthday Darling. T Q M Chica and Sophie.

STAFF SGT. JOHN LINDSAY (Dimples). The NCO with hands on privates Happy Birthday, hic. TBC.

MARRIAGES

McGILL:LAUGHTON. – The marriage took place quietly at St Laurence's, Sk dby on Oct 16th, between Dr David McGill, husband of the late Catherine McGill of Scarborough, and Mary Laughton, wife of the late Tom Laughton CBE, of Scalby.

GOLDEN WEDDING

NEWCOMBE : POYNTZ, On 19th October 1935 at Holy Trinity, Paddington Richard to Vyvyenne.

RIPLEY : SOWLEY - On October 19th, Frederick Ripley to Margery Sowley Now residing in Filey, N Yorkshire.

DEATHS

BANKS. On October 17 suddenly and peacefully at home, James Dallaway, beloved husband of Janette and the late Winifred father of Susan, Christopher, and the late John, formerly I C S late secretary to the board of governors of R C H Funeral at Southampton crematorium on Wednesday October 23 at 11 am, Family flowers only please, but if desired donations in his memory to the Voluntary Research Trust of Kings College Hospital, c/o Buckland Road, Lymington, Telephone (0590) 72060

BLUNDELL. – On October 18, peacefully at the Clarence Nursing Home, Tunbridge Wells, David Habershon, aged 89, beloved husband of the late Sylvia (née Dell) and father of David, Basil and Andrew Funeral private.

BRAIN. – On October 17, peacefully in hospital in Shrewsbury, Charles, devoted husband of the late Ivy Louise and beloved father of Peter, Richard and Michael. Funeral private.

BROWNE. – On October 16 peacefully at home two weeks after his 90th birthday Air Cdre James Stark Browne, A.F.C. Beloved husband of the late Margery Browne (née Wreford) and son of the late James Stark Browne and Elizabeth Browne. Cremation at Eastborne. Wednesday October 23 at 12 30 pm. Flowers to Mummery Funeral Directors, 31 Devonshire Road, Bexhill-on-Sea.

CARTER. On October 16, 1985, the Rev Lance Carter, aged 62 years, Vicar of Whaplode and Holbeach Fen Beloved husband of Una, father of Palmyre, Daphne, Alice and Virginia. Funeral at St Mary's Church, Whaplode, on Tuesday, October 22 at 12.15 pm

CHARLESWORTH. On October 17, 1985, peacefully, at her home in Hale, Cheshire, aged 90 years, May, the dearly beloved wife of the late Tom Charlesworth. Dear mother of Anne and grandmother of Nicholas and Sara Service and committal at Altrincham Crematorium on Wednesday, October 23 at 11 am. Enquiries and flowers to Kenneth Dewey and Sons, Park Funeral Services, Altrincham. Tel 061 928 4466.

FROY – On 17th October, 1985, Joyce Evelyn, aged 72, of 19 Hanover Court, Haywards Heath, Sussex. Dear mother of Timothy Paul. Funeral service at the Surrey and Sussex Crematorium, Worth, on Tuesday, 22nd October at 2 15 p m.

HARRISON. – On October 15, suddenly on the golf course as he would have wished, Douglas Hamilton Harrison, CBE, of Dorset, husband of the late Nora, father of Ian and a grandfather. Private cremation, family flowers only please, but if desired donations to the Wavell Wakefield Youth Trust, Twickenham. Memorial service to be announced later

HARVEY, A.A.B. (BERNARD) of Epsom, Surrey, suddenly on 17 October much loved husband for 46 years of Joy, much loved father of Judith and Carolyn. Please, no flowers, but donations if desired to British Heart Foundation

HARVEY, ERIC RODGERS HAMMOND, MC – Peacefully in hospital at Bath, on 17th October, much loved husband of Phyllis and father of Christopher, Michael, Juliet and Richard and loving grandfather. Funeral service at South Stoke Church, South Stoke, Bath, on Tuesday 22nd October at 2.30pm, followed by family burial at Haycombe Cemetery Flowers or donations for St Johns Hospital to G. Mannings and Sons Ltd, Oxford House, North Road, Coombedown, Bath

HUTTON. – On 16th October, James Edward, beloved husband of Stella and dearest father of Angela, Rupert and Nicholas. Funeral private.

LANGLEY-ELLIS, Waterford, Ireland. – On October 14th, 1985, suddenly at her residence, Mrs Aileen Mary, to the great sorrow of her many friends and relatives. Requiem mass at the Cathedral, Waterford, at 12 noon on Monday October 21st followed by cremation.

SOJITRA. On October 16, 1985, suddenly, at home in Seaford, Valji Karsan, beloved husband of Ratanben Valji.

THORN – On 15th October, 1985, at Canterbury Hospital, peacefully after a tragic accident, Jane Veronica, darling only daughter of Cynthia and Alec, sister of Nigel. Funeral service at St. Peter's Church, Broadstairs, Kent on Thursday, 24th October at 2 p.m., followed by private cremation. Flowers and enquiries to H. Noble, Funeral Directors, 1 Northdown Road, St. Peter's, Broadstairs, Kent. Telephone: 0843-62803.

WATHES – On October 16th 1985 in hospital after a long illness, Mary, much loved wife of Sidney and mother of Janet. Funeral private.

WILKINSON – On October 16th, 1985, suddenly, Gordon Paul, aged 60. Beloved husband of Betty, and father of Simon, Owen and Vanessa. Funeral service on Tuesday, October 22nd at St Lukes Church, Pinner at 10 am followed by cremation at Breakspear Crematorium, Ruislip. Flowers to T. A. Ellement & Son Ltd, 21 Bridge Street, Pinner, Middlesex.

MEMORIAL SERVICES

DAVIS. A memorial service will be held for Lady Elizabeth Davis in Gloucester Cathedral on Wednesday, 27th November, 1985, at 1.45 pm.

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EXHIBITIONS

GLASS ENGRAVERS. Guild Annual Exhibition, Oxford County Museum, Woodstock. Oct 9-31. Tues-Fri 10-4, Sat 10-5, Sun 2-5.

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Sunday

BBC 1

8.30 **What-a-Mess.** *A Mole?* by Frank Muir (r).
8.35 **Children of Fire Mountain.** Double Trouble. The Maoris have a *drink problem* and Sir Charles Pemberton has his grand-daughter? (r).
9.00 **Saturday Superstore.** Madness will be injecting a little lunacy into the warehouse proceedings hosted by Mike Read. Norris McWhirter ensures that there is fair play. Also, Dr Chris Andrews gives tips on keeping fish healthy, happy and underwater.
12.15 **Grandstand.** Approximate timetable. **12.20** Football Focus. **12.40** Motor Racing from Silverstone. **1.00** News Summary. **1.10** Snooker. **2.10** Rugby League. Britain v New Zealand. **2.50** *Round-up.* **3.00** Rugby League. **3.50** Half Times. **3.55** Motor Racing. **4.15** Snooker. Rothmans Grand Prix. **4.40** Final Score.
5.05 **News.** 5.15 Sport and regional news.
5.20 **The Tripods.** Science fiction adventures in the City of Gold. Episode seven, Where is Louise? (Ceefax).
5.45 **Terry and June.** Comedy with Scott and Whitfield.
6.15 **The Noel Edmonds Late Late Breakfast Show.** The cameras track Whirly Wheeler who has "his head in the clouds" in Blackpool. The Hit Squad are operating in pastures further south. A member of the audience is going to get a nasty shock. . . . Also, first live television performance of Feargal Sharkey's new single, "A Good Heart".
7.05 **Bob's Full House.** Bob Monkhouse bombards four hopefuls with general knowledge questions, with the prize of a holiday at stake. (Ceefax).
7.40 **Juliet Bravo.** Inspector Kate Longton (Anna Carteret) discovers a bent copper on the Hartley manor. *Written by* Tony Charles. (Ceefax).
8.30 **The Paul Daniels Magic Show.** Juggling from the trio Airjazz; "simultaneous speech" from Frank Rains and Mr Daniels turns his hand to weather forecasting.
9.15 **News and Sport.**
9.30 **Murder One: The Cradle Will Fall.** Medical chiller in which a *district attorney is unwillingly* taken to hospital after a car accident. There she witnesses a crime which she cannot really remember. Her paranoia then becomes fatal. Lauren Hutton heads the cast of this 1983 made for television film, with Richard Carroll as her boyfriend.
11.10 **Saturday Movie Classic: The Philadelphia Story"** Cary Grant, James Stewart and Katharine Hepburn star in George Cukor's romantic comedy which won Stewart an Oscar and all those involved *bucketfulls of critical acclaim.* A stuffy heiress stalking to the altar for the second time is waylaid by her first husband (Grant) and two magazine reporters who are to cover the event. After that things become very complicated and confused. . . **1.00-1.05** Weather.

TV-am

6.55 **Good Morning Britain** with Jayne Irving. Guests include OMD, Eighth Wonder and Jim Schuter, creator of *Marvel* comics.

ITV/LONDON

9.25 **TX.** Pop news and videos.
11.00 **The Baron.** The discovery of Nazi art treasures leads to murder in the mountains. Steve Forrest adopts his baron's mantle to investigate (r).
12.00 **ITN News.**
12.05 **Saint and Greavsie.** Football pundit from Ian St John and Jimmy Greaves.
12.30 **Wrestling.** 'Bomber' Pat Roach v 'Bulldog' Colin Joynson. Ritchie Brooks v 'Tally Ho' Kaye. Young 'Adonis' Brooks grapples with a hardened campaigner . . .
1.20 **Airwolf.** The super helicopter and its fearless pilot Stringfellow hover behind the *Iron Curtain, with* the onboard computer programmed to kill. Jan-Michael Vincent is at the controls.
2.15 **Superbowl.** Live coverage of the final.
4.15 **Benson.** The suave and surly butler has his man management skills tested when Charlie the gardener is laid off kicking and screaming.
4.45 **Results Service.**
5.00 **News.**
5.05 **Blockbusters.** General knowledge game show.
5.35 **The A-Team.** The violent Vietnam vets gallop to the rescue of a garage owner menaced by a ruthless rival and his evil henchmen.
6.30 **Child's Play.** Michael Aspel hosts the wordy show.
7.00 **Game for a Laugh.** British inhibitions are cast aside as people are egged on by Debbie Rix, Jeremy Beadle and Martin Daniels.
7.45 **3-2-1.** Music, questions and dance. (Oracle).
8.45 **Dempsey and Makepeace.** Prostitution and drug rackets entice the quarrelling crime-busting duo on the trail of a professional assassin. Michael Brandon supplies the grunts, Glynis Barber the groans and Ray Smith the evil-tempered Spikings. Patti Boulaye guests as a prostitute in mortal danger.
9.45 **News and Sport.**
10.00 **LWT News headlines** followed by **International Darts.** World Cup Final from Brisbane.
12.00 **Farm Aid.** The US rock industry aped Bob Geldof to raise money for the financially-beleaguered small farmer. Highlights from the 12-hour concert held in Illinois last month include: Alabama, Bonnie Raitt, Charlie Daniels Band, Charlie Pride, Glen Campbell, John Conlee, John Denver, Kenny Rogers, Kris Kristofferson, Loretta Lynn, *Neil Young, Nitty Gritty Dirt* Bank, Waylon Jennings and Willie Nelson & Family.
1.30 **Police Squad.** Frank Drebin (Leslie Nielsen) is disturbed by bizarre events and a beautiful blonde.
1.55 **Night Thoughts** with Dr Roger Williamson followed by **Closedown.**



Accordion king Flaco Jimenez: Beats of the Heart (Channel 4,8.00pm). And Natalia Makarova: Natasha (BBC 2, 8.30pm).

BBC 2

9.00 **Ceefax pages.**
12.40 **Open University.** Caring for Older People: Work and Retirement. **1.05** The Changing Countryside: Rural Retreat.
1.35 **Saturday Cinema Double Bill: The Spy in Black."** Final offferings in the season marking film director Michael Powell's 80th birthday. A tense World War One intrigue set in the Orkneys, where a U-boat captain, schoolmistress and disgraced naval lieutenant conspire to sink the British fleet. Personal tensions *confuse* the issue in Powell's first collaboration with screenwriter Emeric Pressburger. Made in 1939.
2.55 **Honeymoon.** Written, directed and produced by Michael Powell. *Honeymoon* boasts a soundtrack by Mikis Theodorakis and long dancing sequences from Antonio..
4.20 **The Sky at Night.** Red Shift – or Red Herring? (r).
4.40 **International Snooker.** Rothmans Grand Prix.
6.00 **Deutsch direkt!** Beginner's guide to German. (r).
6.25 **World Chess Championship.** This week's play between Karpov and Kasparov.
6.55 **The 20th Century Remembered.** Brian Urquhart, former Under Secretary *General for Political Affairs,* recounts the crisis in the Congo which followed its independence from Belgium.
7.25 **News and Sport.**
7.40 **Saturday Review.** The launch of *Elle* magazine and the play *Deliberate Death of a Polish Priest* by Ronald Harwood.
8.30 **Natasha.** Dance entertainment starring Natalia Makarova, the *Russian ballerina who* triumphed on Broadway and in the West End with the award-winning musical *On Your Toes.* It includes extracts from Frederick Ashton's *A Month in the Country* and Maurice Bejart's *Bach Sonata.* With Anthony Dowell, Denys Ganio, Gary Chryst, Tim Flavin and the Norman Maen Dancers.
9.35 **International Snooker.** Rothmans Grand Prix.
10.15 **Harty Goes to . . . New York.** Russell samples pastrami on rye and Manhattan's glitziest nightspot.
10.45 *The South African Grand Prix.* Highlights from today's race.
11 20 **International Snooker.** Ends 12.35 .

CHANNEL 4

12.00 **Golf** The Dunhill Cup.
1.15 **Murun Buchstansangur** A smelly cartoon character.
1.20 **Channel Four Racing** from Newmarket and Kempton. **1.30** *Kempton.* **1.45** Newmarket. **2.00** Kempton. **2.20.** Newmarket. **2.45** Kempton and **3.05** Newmarket.
3.35 **Background to Danger"** *Second World War* Warner Brothers spy thriller based on the novel *Uncommon Danger* by Eric Ambler. George Raft is a US agent ensnared in the double-dealings in neutral but *nasty Turkey. Peter Lorre* schemes away as a Russian agent and Sydney Greenstreet as a Nazi official. Directed in 1943 by Raoul Walsh.
5.05 **Brookside.** Omnibus edition of close encounters in Merseyside. (Oracle).
6.00 **Family Ties.** Ulterior motives flourish among the sorority girls.
6.30 **The Comies and Other Folk.** Guests are Tom Paxton and The Best of Friends.
7.00 **News Summary** followed by **7 Days.** Robert Kee and Ann Loades with moral issues behind the news.
7.30 **Union World.** How unions are trying to educate members about the Aids virus.
8.00 **Beats of the Heart.** Tex-Mex: Music of the Texas-Mexican Borderlands. Songs about the myths and legends of the Rio Grande. (r).
9.00 **Upstairs, Downstairs.** A household crisis develops after the pompous, morally superior Hudson (Gordon Jackson) is seen at Wembley Exhibition in the company of a young girl – the underhousemaid Lily (Karen *Dotrice). Rose (Jean Marsh)* and Virginia (Hannah Gordon) poke their noses in. . . (Oracle) (r).
10.00 **Hill Street Blues.** Washington continues his crusade to clear a racist narcotics officer while the angry neighbourhood simmers and seethes. (Oracle).
11.00 **Coming Next.** . . Final edition of the coarse comedy celebrates the Sixties in black and white with mini-skirts, stilettos and bouffant hair.
11.30 **Golf.** The Dunhill Cup.
1.00 **The Paul Hogan Show.** Comedy Australian-style from the man who fronts the culturally stereotyped adverts. (r). **1.25** *close.*

BBC 1

8.55 **Play School.** Story: *Long Neck and Thunderfoot.*
9.15 **Articles of Faith.** God. . . the *Common Core.*
9.30 **This is the Day.** Worship from Esholt, near Bradford.
10.00 **Asian Magazine.** A report on the Dussehra celebrations in north London.
10.30 *Digame! Spanish for* beginners. (r).
10.55 **Deutsch direkt!** German for the beginner.
11.20 **Télé-Journal.** How the French interpret news.
11.45 **Blizzard's Wonderful Wooden Toys.** The Go-Kart (r).
12.10 **See Hear!** New magazine for the deaf and hard of hearing.
12.35 **Farming.** 12.58 Weather news.
1.00 **This Week Next Week.** Interviews with Sir Keith Joseph and rebel miners' leader Roy Lynk.
1.55 **Cartoon.**
2.00 **EastEnders.** Omnibus edition. (Ceefax).
3.00 **Cartoon.**
3.15 **Adventure Matinée: Legend of the Lost.** A ruined city, the Sahara desert, John Wayne and Sophia Loren are the *ingredients for this love in the* dust adventure. Loren poses as a ravishing slave girl.
5.00 **Moment of Truth.** Dog trainers Jenni and Herbie Watson take 13 delinquent dogs and their *owners to task.*
5.30 **The Queen in the Caribbean.** Belize and the Bahamas.
6.00 **Oliver Twist.** Oliver has shocked the workhouse *guardians asking for more* gruel. Ben Rodska is Oliver. (Ceefax).
6.30 **News.**
6.40 **Songs of Praise.** Special edition for St Luke's tide from Southwark Cathedral. (Ceefax).
7.15 **Hi-de-Hi!** Ted gets delusions of authority in the over-amplified yellow-coated holiday camp.
7.45 **Howards' Way.** More tangled emotions and jib sheets on the River Hamble. (Ceefax).
8.35 **Last of the Summer Wine.** Nora Batty is unnerved when Wally takes an unnatural interest in her feet. More daft humour from Compo, Clegg and Foggy. (Ceefax) (r).
9.05 **Whicker's World.** "Sex Isn't Nearly as Important as Power and Access . . ." Alan Whicker's expatriate interviewees include Harry Evans, former editor of *The Times;* Diana McLellan, from *Norfolk, a gossip* columnist on the *Washington Times;* Dr Geoffrey Kemp, from Gravesend, advisor to President Reagan on the Middle East; John Hughes, *from Wales, a State* Department spokesman and Marcus Cunliffe, professor of American history at George Washington University. (Ceefax).
10.00 **News.**
10.15 **Everyman.** Five Christian women argue that if the church is to be loyal to its deepest insights and stop subjugating women, the faithful must learn to say, God is She.
10.55 **Mozart – His Life With Music.** At 21 Mozart was convinced that the life of a court musician was not for him. The *accompaniment is provided by* Jane Glover and the London Mozart Players and the choir of Westminster Cathedral. **11.45–11.50** Weather.

TV-am

6.55 **Good Morning Britain.** Thought for a Sunday. **7.00** Care Bears. **7.25** Are You Awake Yet? **7.50** What's News. Quiz Show. **8.15** Pick of the Week with Jeni Barnett. **8.27** News headlines.
8.30 **The Sunday Programme.** Jonathan Dimbleby with Professor Bernard Lown, Paul Warnke and Lord Chalfont.

ITV/LONDON

9.25 **Wake Up London.** The Vicious Boys.
9.35 **Woody and Friends.** Animated anarchy.
9.45 **Augie Doggie.** Cartoons.
10.00 **Morning Worship.** A Meditation on Handicap (Oracle).
11.00 **Getting On.** How the transport Bill will affect the elderly.
11.30 **Ulster Landscapes.** Industrial villages.
12.00 **Weekend World.**
1.00 **Police 5.**
1.15 **The Smurfs.** Cartoons.
1.30 **Happy Days.** Adoption difficulties.
2.00 **The Human Factor.** A housing estate designed to allow disabled people to live with their families.
2.30 **LWT News headlines** followed by **Airplane!** Marvellous spoof of the dreadful disaster in the air movies. A nightmare for the nervous air traveller. Robert Hays, Julie Hagerty, Lloyd Bridges and Robert Stack lead the panic.
4.00 **Stookie.** A farmhouse *becomes a prison.*
4.30 **Bullseye.** Darts and quiz game show.
5.00 **Sunday, Sunday.** Gloria Hunniford talking to celebrities appearing in London.
6.00 **Albion Market.** More drama from the market. (Oracle).
6.30 **ITN News.**
6.40 **Appeal.** Holiday Care Service.
6.45 **Highway.** Harry Secombe visits Whitby, ancient fishing port of North Yorkshire.
7.15 **Bruce Forsyth's Play Your Cards Right.** Quiz game.
7.45 **The Prince and Princess of Wales.** A personal interview with Alastair Burnet.
8.30 **Live from Her Majesty's.** Jimmy Tarbuck hosts the comedy and music show.
9.30 **All Star Secrets.** Michael Parkinson discovers who nearly killed for a film and who kept a fruit bat as a pet. (Oracle).
10.00 **A Fine Romance.** Can former lovers be just good friends? Laura (Judi Dench) thinks so, Mike (Michael Williams) disagrees. Co-starring Susan Penhaligon and Richard Warwick – and Mary Maddox in the bath towel (Oracle) (r).
10.30 **ITN News.**
10.40 **The South Bank Show. Ian McKellen – Diary of a Year.** Documentary follows the actor through award-winning productions of *Wild Honey* and *Coriolanus;* setting up a company with Edward Petherbridge and filming with Meryl Streep in *Plenty.* (Oracle).
11.40 **LWT New Headlines** followed by **South of Watford.** Steven Berkoff, rude and reviled actor, writer and director, holds forth (r)
12.10 *American Documentary.* Marshall High School Chicago.
1.05 **Night Thoughts** with Dr Cormac Rigby followed by **Closedown.**



Cate Fowler: Trelawny of the Wells (BBC 2, 8.35pm) Nigel Havers. Clare Byam Shaw: Some Stones of No Value (Channel 4,9 15pm)

BBC 2

9.00 *Ceefax pages.*
10.35 **Open University.** Applicants Advisory Services Studying with the OU. **11.00** Preparing for exams
11.25 **Ceefax pages.**
2.00 **Rugby Special.** Ireland against Fiji
2.30 **International Snooker.** Rothmans Grand Prix.Terry Griffiths plays Bob Harris and Eddie Charlton takes on Tony Drago David Vine introduces coverage of both nine-frame matches from the Hexagon, Reading
4.45 **Contemporary Mozart.** Yitkin Seow is the piano soloist in the concerto in F (K459) with the BBC Scottish Symphony Orchestra Presented by Jane Glover, who introduces *Mozart – His Life with Music* on BBC 1 at 10 55
5.20 **Thinking Aloud.** Political violence is discussed by historian Dr Edward Norman, political scientist Professor Ali Mazrui and legal philosopher *Professor Ronald Dworkin.* Can the killing of opponents be justified?
6.00 **News Review** with subtitles.
6.30 **The Money Programme.** The US railroads are reviving as freight carriers, but at the expense of the passenger. Also, are some basic foods overpriced and how one man made a fortune shifting soil.
7.15 **The Natural World.** Emas. – High Plains of Brazil. Rodents grow as big as pigs, snakes as long as living rooms and ant eaters have arm-length tongues in the Emas National Park, sanctuary for the creatures of Brazil's grasslands.
8.05 **Harty Goes to . . . New York.** Russell Harty meets Quentin Crisp, flamboyant former inhabitant of a very dusty Chelsea room who is now cutting a swathe through Manhattan s Lower East Side.
8.35 *Theatre Night: Trelawny of* **the Wells.** Arthur Wing Pinero s classic comedy about the beautiful Rose (Samantha Bond), rising star of the theatre, and her ill-fated attempts at social climbing as she leaves the stage to marry into 'quality' Cast includes Nicholas Jones, Avril Angers, Vivian Pickles, Philip Locke and Patricia Brake. James Newall plays the besotted suitor, with Michael Hordern his guardian.
10.30 **International Snooker.** Rothmans Grand Prix. George Scott v Cliff Wilson, Wayne Jones v Peter Francisco.
12.30 **Music at Night.** Robert Cohen (Cello) plays Sarabande from Bach's Suite in D Ends 12.40.

CHANNEL 4

1.00 **Irish Angle Hands.** The harvesting of the rush *Scirpus Lacustrus* and the curing and weaving of rushwork.
1.30 **Face the Press.** Sir Keith Joseph is questioned by Polly Toynbee of *The Guardian* and Robert Taylor, of *The Observer*
2.00 **Golf.** Final of the Dunhill Cup
4.00 **World of Animation.**
4.20 **American Short Story.** The Greatest Man in the World based on a James Thurber story Jack Smurch, an illiterate lout, becomes the first man to fly solo and non-stop around the world He is then presented as the clean-cut all-American hero
5.15 **News Summary** and weather followed by **The Business Programme.** The future of Westlands helicopters
6.00 **American Football.** Chicago Bears v San Fransisco 49ers
7.15 **The Heart of the Dragon.** The Chinese attitude to law and order, in particular the case of a female cat burglar. The court attempts to help her seek redemption as well as administering redress Her real punishment will be the struggle to restore her character in the eyes of her family, neighbourhood and factory (r)
8.15 **The Jewel in the Crown.** The Regimental Silver Susan Layton has married Ronald Merrick, but their happiness was marred by a strange attack on the car taking Merrick to church Episode five of Granada s lavishly-praised adaptation of Paul Scott s *Raj Quartet* (Oracle) (r)
9.15 **Lord Elgin and Some Stones of No Value.** Clever dramatization of the acquisition of Parthenon statues by Lord Elgin, ambassador in Constantinople using contemporary letters Nigel Havers plays the culture vulture This month, the Government replies to a request for the return of the "Elgin Marbles", now in the British Museum
10.15 **Room at the Top".** A tribute to Simone Signoret, the French actress who died last month. She won an Oscar for her portrayal of the mistress discarded by the ruthless Joe *Lampton Laurence Harvey* played the working class accountant clawing his way to the top in a Northern industrial town Directed in 1959 by Jack Clayton and based on the *John Braine novel. Room at the Top* was a key post war British film, particularly in its realistic handling of sex and class **12.25** Close.

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Radio 4

On long wave. † also VHF stereo
5.55 Shipping Forecast. **6.00** News Briefing; Weather. **6.10** Prelude.† **6.30** News: Farming Today. **6.50** Prayer for the Day. **6.55** Weather; Travel.
7.00 News. **7.10** Today's Papers. **7.15** On Your Farm. **7.45** In Perspective (with Rosemary Harrilll. **7.50** Down to Earth. With Mike Gilliam and Alan Titchmarsh. **7.55** Weather; Travel.
8.00 News. *8.10* Today's Papers. **8.15** Sport on 4 (with Tony Lewis). **8.48** Yesterday in Parliament. **8.57** Weather; Travel.
9.00 News.
9.05 Breakaway (with Bernard Falk).
9.50 News Stand. Ian Hislop reviews the weekly magazines.
10.05 Talking Politics. Anthony Howard chairs a discussion on the *constitutional role of the* monarchy.
10.30 Pick of the Week. TV and radio *extracts* presented by Margaret Howard.†
11.30 From Our Own Correspondent. BBC reporters talk about the countries they work in .
12.00 News: Money Box with Louise Botting. The 1984-85 Unit Trust *Investor of the Year.*
12.27 The News Quiz chaired by Barry Took. With Angela Gordon, Alan Coren, Richard Ingrams and Joe Halnes.† **12.55** Weather.
1.00 News.
1.10 Any Questions? Sir Peter Hall, Germaine Greer, *Christopher* Chataway and David Bernstein join John Timpson in London. **1.55** Shipping Forecast.
2.00 News; The Afternoon Play. The Albatross and the Elephant Eggs by Harry Barton. With Shaun Scott and Ingrid Craigie. *Drama* set in the Pacific in 1945.†
3.00 News; International Assignment. Reports from BBC correspondents around the world.
3.30 *The* Saturday Feature: The Oldest Profession. *A guide to the life* of 'ladies of the night' from ancient Greece to modern times. With Jo Anderson.
4.15 Home-ing in. Do-it-Yourself advice.
4.45 *The Music of* Work. Kevin Crossley-Holland examines examples of working songs from all over the world. (2:) Hunters and Herders.
5.00 Wildlife. Derek Jones and the experts with listeners' questions.
5.25 *Week Ending.* Satirical review of the week's news. **5.50** Shipping Forecast. **5.55** Weather; Travel.
6.00 News: Sports Round-up.
6.25 Actuality: Going Red. A montage documentary about the life of new redcoats at Butlin's, Skegness.
7.05 Stop the Week with Robert Robinson. Includes a song from Jeremy Nicholas.
7.45 *Baker's Dozen.* Richard Baker with records.†
8.30 Saturday-Night Theatre. Odysseus on an Iceberg, by Alick Rowe. With Hugh Dickson and June Barrie. Did Homer get it all wrong?†
10.00 News.
10.15 Evening Service.†
10.30 Soundings. Ted Harrison examines topical religious or moral issues.
11.00 Science Now. A review of discoveries and developments in science. Presented by Peter Evans.
11.30 The Wow Show. Narcissus Betrayed, written and performed by Mark Arden, Lee Cornes, Mark Elliott and Stephen Frost.†
12.00 *News; Weather. Until* **12.15. 12.33** Shipping Forecast.
VHF (available in England and S Wales) only: **5.55-6.00** Weather; Travel. **1.55-2.00** Programme News. **3.00-5.00** Options: **3.00** Ellison Street Revisited. **3.30** France *Extra!* **4.00** *Idiqame!* A radio and television Spanish course for beginners. **4.30** Deutsch Direkt! A radio and television German course for beginners.

Radio 3

6.55 Weather. **7.00** News.
7.05 Aubade: Weber's Invitation to the Dance, orchestrated by Berlioz (Berlin PO); Massenet's Scenes *alsaciennes (Monte Carlo* Opera Orchestra); Brahms's Hungarian Dances, Book 4 (Katia and Marielle Labeque, pianos); Schumann's Konzertstuck in F for four horns and orchestra (with Berlin PO); Debussy's Danse *sacree et danse profane* (Amsterdam Concertgebouw); Strauss's suite Le bourgeois gentilhomme (ECO).† **9.00** News.
9.05 Record Review: with Paul Vaughan. Includes Edward Greenfield's consumer's guide to *recordings of Liszt's Faust* Symphony, and Lionel Salter on records of Masses by Bach and Mozart.†
10.15 Stereo Release: Mozart's Mass in C minor, K 427 (with soloists Laki, Danes, Equiluz, Holl and Vienna State Opera *Chorus and* Concentus Musicus, Vienna under Harnoncourt.†
11.15 National Symphony Orchestra of Washington DC (under Rostropovich), with Jon Kimura Parker (piano). Tchaikovsky's Piano Concerto No 1. At *11.50,* Shostakovich's Symphony No 10.† **1.00** News.
1.05 Heinrich Schutz: Madrigals, performed by Consort of Musicke.†
2.00 From the Heart of Europe: music from Czechoslovakia. *Includes* Dvorak's Symphony No 6 (Berlin PO); Dvorak's Slavonic Dance No *1 in C (Czech PO); Jaroslav* Kricka's Northern Nights (Soukupova, contralto and Czech PO): Suk's A Summer's Tale (Czech PO); Fiala's Oboe Quartet in F (Musica da Camera), and Smetana's From My Homeland (Suk, violin/Panenka, piano).†
5.00 Jazz Record Requests: with Peter Clayton.†
5.45 Critics' Forum: with John Spurling, Christopher Dunkley, Margarita Laski and Philip Oakes. Includes comment on Michael Meyer's biography Strindberg: Real Lives: At the Edge of the Union, on BBC 1; and Clint Eastwood's film Pale Rider.
6.35 Music for the Iron Voice: Alan Spedding at the organ of Beverley Minster. Alexander Boely's Messe du jour de Noel, Op 11: Pièces d'orgue; Offertoire pour le jour de Pacques.†
7.10 *Years on the Theatre:* James Hayes reads from the writings of W B Yeats in Anthony Astbury's *compilation.*
7.30 Opera: The Marriage of Figaro by Mozart sung in Italian. The Glyndebourne production, with Vittorio Gui conducting the Festival forces. Among the principal soloists are Sesto Bruscantini (Figaro), Graziella Sciutti (Susanna), Ian Wallace (Bartolo), Franco Calabrese (Almamviva) and Monica Sinclair (Marcellina). Acts one and two.†
9.05 Conversations with Alexander Pope: (third of three programmes). From Joseph Spence's Anecdotes. With John Rye as Pope and Trevor Nichols as Joseph Spence.
9.20 The Marriage of Figaro: Acts three and four.†
10.45 Dag Wiren: Serenade for string orchestra, Op 11 (National Arts Centre Orchestra of Canada, under Eduardo Mata).
11.00 Parry: Violin Sonata No 2 in D, 1885 (Erich Gruenberg, violin, with Roger Vignoles, piano); Stanford's Piano Trio in G minor (Maureen Smith, violin; Alexander Baillie, cello).†
11.57 News. **12.00** Closedown.

Radio 2

News on the hour until 1.00pm, at 3.00, and from 6.00 (except 8.00pm and 9.00 Headlines 6.30am, 7.30 Sports Desk 11.02am 10.02pm. **4.00am** Nigel Rennie †. **6.00** Steve Truelove †. **8.05** David Jacobs †. **10.00** Sounds Of The 60s (Keith Fordyce) †. **11.00** Album Time (Peter Clayton) †. **1.00pm** The News Huddlines. Roy Hudd, with Chris Emmett, Alison Steadman and The Huddliners. **1.30** Sport on 2. Includes football: (Manchester Utd v Liverpool) Racing From Newmarket: **2.20** The Dubai Champion **3.05** The Tote Cesarewitch and Rugby League: (GB v New Zealand and Rugby Union: (Ireland *v Fiji) Golf (Dunhill Cup) 5.00 Sports* Report: Classified results. **6.00** Folk On 2. 6th EBU Contemporary Folk Music Festival). **7.00** Jazz Score. Chaired by Benny Green with Humphrey Lyttelton, Ronnie Scott, Digby Fairweather and John Barnes. **7.30** A Viennese Evening with BBC Concert Orchestra, *8.20* to **8.40** *Interval talk:* Peter Kemp on Johann Strauss III's visit to Cardiff in 1928. **9.30** String Sound (Strings of the BBC Radio Orchestra). **10.05** Martin Kelner †. **12.05am** Night Owls (Dave Gelly) †. **1.00** Bill Rennells presents Nightride †. **3.00-4.00** A Little Night Music †.

Radio 1

News on the half hour until 12.30pm, then 2.00, 3.00, 5.30, 7.30, 9.30 and 12 *midnight.* **6.00am** Mark Page. **8.00** Peter Powell. **10.00** Dave Lee Travis (from Motorfair 85 at Earl's Court). **1.00pm** Adrian Juste. †. **2.00** 30 Years Of Rock (1981) †. **3.00** Paul Gambaccini with America's latest hits and a countdown of the US Top 30 †. **5.00** Saturday Live †. **6.30** In Concert featuring Hugh Masekela and Kalahari. Introduced by Pete Drummond †. **7.30** Ammemarie Grey †. **9.30–12.00** Dixie Peach (featuring Rio and Jefferson Starship).
VHF RADIO 1 & 2 1.00am As Radio 2 **1.00pm** As *Radio* 1 **7.30-4.00am** As Radio 2.

WORLD SERVICE

6.00am Newsdesk. **7.00** News. **7.09** Twenty Four Hours. **7.30** From The Weeklies. **7.45** *Network UK. 8.00 News.* **8.09** *Reflections.* **8.15** A Jolly Good Show. **9.00** News. **9.09** Review of the British Press. **9.15** World Today. **9.30** *Financial* News. **9.40** Look Ahead. **9.45** The Classical Clarinet. **10.00** News. **10.01** That's Trad. **10.15** Letter From America. **10.30** People and Politics. **11.00** News. **11.09** News About Britain. **11.15** About Britain. **11.30** Meridian. **12.00** Radio Newsreel. **12.15** Anything Goes. **12.45** Sports Roundup. **1.00** News. **1.09** Twenty Four Hours. **1.30** Network UK. **1.45** Country Style. **2.00** News. **2.01** Saturday Special. **3.00** Radio Newsreel. **3.15** Saturday Special. **4.00** News. **4.09** Commentary. **4.15** Saturday Special. **5.00** News. **5.09** Book Choice. **5.15** Album Time. **8.00** News. **8.09** Twenty-Four Hours. **9.15** What's New. **9.30** People and Politics. **10.00** World News. **10.09** From Our Own Correspondent. **10.30** New Ideas. **10.40** Reflections. **10.45** Sports Roundup. **11.00** News. **11.09** Commentary. **11.15** Letterbox. **11.30** Mainstream. **12.00** News. **12.09** News About Britain. **12.15** Radio *Newsreel.* **12.30** *Baker's Half Dozen.* **1.00** News. **1.01** Play Of The Week: The Increased Difficulty of Concentration. **2.00** News. **2.09** Review of British Press. **2.15** John Ariott's Poetry Book. **2.30** Album Time. **3.00** News. **3.09** News About Britain. **3.15** From Our Own Correspondent. **3.30** My Music. **4.00** Newsdesk. **4.30** The Best of Folk. **5.45** Letter From America.

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† Stereo. ★ Black and white. (r) Repeat

Radio 4

5.55 Shipping. **6.00** News Briefing; weather. **6.10** Prelude †. **6.30** News; Morning Has Broken. **6.55** Weather; Travel.
7.00 News. **7.10** Sunday Papers. **7.15** Apna Hi Ghar Samajhiye. **7.45** Bells. **7.50** Turning Over New Leaves. **7.55** Weather. Travel.
8.00 News. **8.10** Sunday Papers. **8.15** Sunday. **8.50** Derek Jacobi appeals on behalf of the Association for all Speech Impaired Children.**8.55** Weather.
9.00 News. **9.10** Sunday Papers.
9.15 Letter From America, by Alistair Cooke.
9.30 *Morning Service from the* Chapel of the Queen's Medical Centre, Nottingham.
10.15 The Archers. Omnibus edition.
11.15 *The Colour Supplement, with* Margo MacDonald. Including international link-up and *contributions from Nigel Farrell,* Rory Bremner, Stirling Moss, John Walters and Stephen Fry. **12.55** Weather.
1.00 The World This Weekend: News. **1.55** Shipping.
2.00 News; Gardeners' Question Time. Experts answer questions from The Friends of the University Botanic Garden St Andrew's, Fife.
2.30 The Afternoon Play. The Judge's Wife by Dorothy Gharsaout. Drama about the predicament of a Diplock court judge after his wife is abducted (r)†.
4.00 News; Rebels. A portrait of the writer and critic Dorothy Parker.
4.30 The Living World. Cool, Clear Water. Derek Jones follows a Hampshire chalk stream in this radio nature trail.
5.00 News; Travel.
5.05 Down Your Way. Brian Johnston visits Bideford. **5.50** Shipping.
6.00 News.
6.15 A Wolf in Frog's Clothing. Stories by the humorous French writer Alphonse Allais. Reader: Christopher Godwin (r).
6.30 Bookshelf. This edition of the books programme features Gore Vidal. Presenter Hunter Davies.
7.00 Travel; Raffles (new series). Six of E. W. Hornung's classic tales dramatized by David Buck with Jeremy Clyde in the role of the public school rogue and Michael Cochrane as his faithful lieutenant Bunny (1) 'The Ides of March' †.
7.30 A Peacock in his Pride. Bicentenary tribute to Thomas Lovecock Peacock, presented by Dr Marilyn Butler.
8.05 Law in Action. with Joshua Rozenberg (r).
8.30 A Word in Edgeways. Brian Redhead chairs the discussion programme, with Mark Girouard, Peter Maxwell Davies and Jeremy Seabrook.
9.00 News; Shirley. Charlotte Bronte's novel *dramatized* in six parts, with Moir Leslie as Shirley *Keeldar (4) † 9.58* Weather.
10.00 News.
10.15 Living at Full Flame. The second of three programmes in which Monty Haltrecht charts D H Lawrence's odyssey through life (2) A Misunderstood Man.
11.00 Before the Ending of the Day. The late evening Office of Compline.
11.15 Talk of the Town, Talk of the Country. Stanley Ellis explores dialects (5) Bristol and 'Areal'.
11.45 John Morgan on the Far West. The recent migration of the English West Wales.
12.00 News; Weather. **12.33** Shipping. **5.55-6.00am** Weather; Travel. **6.55-7.15** Open University. VHF (available in England and S Wales only) as above except:

Radio 3

6.55 Weather. **7.00** News.
7.05 Mozart String Quartets: in D minor, K 421 (Talich Quartet); and *in B flat, K 589 (Juillard Quartet).*
8.00 Bach Cantatas: 1724. The Cantata No 180: Schmucke, dich, O liebe Seele. (Graf, soprano/Scherler, contralto/Huber, tenor/Stampfli, bass/Heilbron Heinrich Schutz Choir and *Instrumental Ensemble* under Werner.†
8.30 Tchaikovsky Piano Music: Six Pieces..Op 19, played by Michael Ponti.†
9.00 News.
9.05 Your Concert Choice: recordings of Walter Leigh's *Concertino for* harpsichord and string orchestra; Franz Reizenstein's The Lambeth Walk; Holst's A Somerset Rhapsody; Giordano's Un di all'azzurro spazio, Andrea Chenier; and George Lloyd's Symphony No 6.†
10.30 Music Weekly: with Michael Oliver. Includes Bernard Keefe on the unfamiliar version of Schumann's Symphony No 1; and an archive item on the centenary of the Austrian composer Egon Wellesz.†
11.15 Bach and Schubert: Yo Yo Ma (cello), Kathryn Stott (piano). Bach's Cello Suite No 6 in D, BWV 1012: Schubert's Sonata in A minor, D 821 (Arpeggione).†
12.15 Alessandro Scarlatti and Handel City of London Sinfonia. *Richard* Hickox Singers, Elizabeth Lane and Sarah Leonard (sopranos). Amaral Gunson (mezzo), Peter Hall (tenor), Gordon Jones (bass) Scarlatti's St Cecilia Mass. Interval reading at **1.00.** At **1.05,** Four Handel Arias (including Sento primo le procelle: and Lusinga questo) Also Dixit Dominus †
2.05 England Piano Music: Malcolm Binns plays William Sterndale *Bennett's Suite de Pièces, Op 24,* Delius's Three Preludes; Dance for harpsichord, *Five Pieces;* William Baines's Seven Preludes †
3.00 Chicago SO Shostakovich's Symphony No 9. Bruckner's Symphony No 9 †
4.30 Bach on Record Elisabeth Schumann, Margaret Balfour, Walter Woddop, Friedrich Schorr (soloists). Philharmonic Choir, LSO (under Coates) The B Minor Mass; Gloria *in excelsis* Deo; Laudamus Te; Et in unum Dominum, Et in spiritum sanctum; Benedictus: Dona Nobis pacem. In mono
5.15 The Star Wars History part 4 of Michael Charlton's documentary *series. Includes contributions from former President Carter,* his Defence Secretary Harold Brown and the present Director of the National Security Agency. General William Odom
6.00 Royal Philharmonic Orchestra *(under Keele) Goldschmidt's* overture Comedy of Errors: Schumann's Symphony No

Thousands in riot after poet hanged

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machine guns, truncheons and tear gas launchers patrolled while hundreds of black commuters took refuge on the platforms.

For once the police seemed powerless to control the violence as shop windows were smashed and goods looted. A police officer was heard telling his men: "There are no reinforcements." Eventually riot police and troops were called in a sealed off an area of about six blocks.

Widespread violence continued in the Cape Town area yesterday after a night in which a man was killed by police rifle fire after they stormed a mosque in the coloured Athlone district where 2,000 people had gathered for a prayer meeting.

Eyewitnesses said the police opened fire from armoured personnel carriers "in several directions" as people left the mosque and tear gas was fired into the courtyard.

Women and children were trampled into the ground as the panic-stricken crowd tried to escape through the gates. Mr Abdul Friddie, aged 29 fell near the gates after being shot in the stomach and his left arm nearly severed. He died three hours later. Two other men were hit, one in the foot and the other sustained chest and neck wounds.

● Reactions of shock and horror to the hanging came from all over the world. The Foreign Secretary, Sir Geoffrey Howe, said of the execution would "exacerbate the internal situation in South Africa".

In Paris, M Laurent Fabius, the French Prime Minister, stood with bowed head in silence for a minute outside the South African Embassy in protest against what he described as the "scandalous execution".

The Organization of African Unity (OAU) in Addis Ababa said the execution was a "classical example of insensitivity" on the part of the white-minority Pretoria regime it said.

● Michael Hornsby of *The Times* flew back to his home in Johannesburg yesterday after receiving hospital treatment of wounds received when he was shot by police in the Ashlan dessert and is scheduled to have a further medical examination today. He was hit by at least 50 shotgun pellets in his back, legs right arm and the back of his head.

Retaliation threat by black African leader

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apartheid abolished with conviction and sincerity, her speech was essentially an uncompromising reiteration of the British case against sanctions.

She pointed out that Britain had already implemented, in conjunction with its European partners, a number of political and military restrictive measures against South Africa which went far beyond what many Commonwealth countries have done. But she said economic sanctions would be "a tremendous slap in the face for all those within South Africa who are working for change".

There wold be no satisfaction for blacks to achieve full political rights only to inherit an economic wasteland, she said.

She firmly rejected the argument that positive proposals for change, such as the establishment of a liaison committee, would work only if backed by the prospect of sanctions.

The Prime Minister made an eloquent plea for the Commonwealth conference to reach a positive conclusion that would advance the process of reform in South Africa.

Earlier in the debate, President Kaunda of Zambia urged the conference to send a signal to Pretoria saying "Enough is enough".

He declared that if the Commonwealth did nothing, "the oppressors will say that Britain has won, and so we have nothing to worry about, and the oppressed will say 'We are now on our own' ".

The Zambian leader urged the meeting to impose selective sanctions and to call on Pretoria to lift its state of emergency, remove the ban on the African National Congress and other political organizations and demand the release of Mr Nelson Mandela and other political prisoners.



A mother and child in a hospital in Chad which Bob Geldof visited during his African tour. Photograph: Frank Herrmann

UN urge 'no-go' areas for Sudan armies

From Paul Vallely, Khartoum

"No-go" areas should be established in southern Sudan, according to Mr Winston Prattley, the head of the United Nations Emergency Relief Office in Sudan. Both officials from the Khartoum Government and troops of the southern rebels would be forbidden to enter.

More than four million people were badly hit by a famine produced by a combination of natural conditions and war in the area. Mr Prattley told a meeting attended by government officials and representatives of multilateral donors and private voluntary agencies. It had been called by Bob Geldof, before he left Sudan yesterday for Ethiopia, the next stage of his African tour, to establish priorities for the spending of Band Aid's £48m funds.

"A lot of the four million people in the south are in poor shape. So are their animals. Their seed needs have not been properly met," he said.

"Until there is a proper government here there will never be a coherent approach. What we need is a government with more than an interim responsibility." One temporary solution was to set up "no-go" areas in which the various UN agencies and other charities could safely work and to which neither Government nor the rebels of the Sudanese People's Liberation Army would have access.

Earlier the leader of Sudan's Transitional Military Council, General Swar al-Dahab, at a reception for Mr Geldof, had said that prospects for a settlement with the south seemed remote.

Khartoum for the last three weeks has been under a night-time curfew, the first for more than 12 years, after the attempted coup.

The war with the south is undoubtedly diverting resources from emergency relief and development work, the general told Mr Geldof. "The famine is not quite over yet but we have managed to contain it". The prospects for this year's harvest were good and the railway to Darfour was now in much better condition with the arrival of 10 new locomotives.

Mr Geldof said he understood there were projections of a million-ton grain surplus here this year. It would be hard, therefore, to justify to the public a request for 400,000 tons of food for Darfour, where the harvest has been poor if not non-existent for the eighth consecutive year.

The general replied that the Government did not have the money to buy the surplus and distribute it.

Mr Geldof, who was presented by the Sudanese leader with the Order of the Two Niles (second class), also asked Sudan to use its new accord with Libya to ask Colonel Gadaffi to allow famine relief into the Libyan-occupied areas of northern Chad.

Letter from Nassau

Royal show ousts 'Les Nudes'

Commonwealth conferences often have an air of unreality about them. Surely only the British could have invented a club whose members meet every two years in places like Gleneagles or Goa to resolve the problems of the world.

The location of this year's summit has added to this sense of unreality. The Bahamas is essentially a holiday playground for American package tourists and, increasingly, an entrepot for the cocaine trade.

Each year, some two million Americans come down here in bulging Jumbo jets, and over-crowded cruise ships, to lie in the sun and to dispose of their surplus wealth on duty-free shopping, or in the island's casinos. It is a place for high living, rather than serious thinking.

The summit is being held in one of the island's most popular resort areas, known as Cape Beach strip. The strip consists of five luxury hotels, a massive casino and dozens of night spots offering a mixed cultural feast of rock, reggae, calypso and limbo dancing.

The opening ceremony took place in the casino theatre which usually stages musical spectaculars such as *Les Fantastiques*, which had been playing there until the start of the summit. For the moment, Mrs Margaret Thatcher, President Kuanda, and Rajiv Gandhi have replaced Vicki Vance, and Les Nudes as the theatre's star attractions.

Efforts had been made to make the theatre appear as dignified as possible. Nevertheless, it was, to say the least, an unlikely setting to start a discussion on apartheid, the international debt crisis, drought and starvation in Africa – a discussion which will continue today and tomorrow at Lyford Cay, an exclusive tax-exiles resort.

The host of the conference is Sir Lynden Pindling, the Prime Minister of the Bahamas, an old-style political operator, who is loved by about half the island's 200,000 people and hated by the rest.

Sir Lynden is a controversial figure, not least because a commission of inquiry last year chared some of his closest associates with having links with drug smuggling.

Sir Lynden has tried to shrug off opposition accusations of complicity and did not even flutter an eyelid of embarrassment when, in his speech of welcome, he referred to the "vast treasury of narco-dollars" which drug traffickers were pouring into the Bahamas.

Every day since the conference began, protesters have been staging anti-Pindling demonstrations, many of them carrying posters bearing the slogan: "The chief is a thief".

At least Sir Lyndon does not have any identity problem unlike many of the other leaders present. Covering a Commonwealth conference is a little like train spotting. The challenge is to see how many leaders you can actually name.

Obviously, there is no mistaking Mrs Thatcher, or the only other female head of government, Mrs Eugenia Charles of Dominica. Others stand out because of their national dress. Prince Diamini of Swaziland cut a dashing, and easily identifiable figure clad in a brilliant orange-patterned cloak with a single red feather sticking out from the back of his head.

But, trying to identify the prime ministers of St Kitts, St Lucia, or St Vincent, is a much more difficult problem for lay observers of Commonwealth affairs. It is even more difficult to remember which flag belongs to which country. A person who can correctly identify the leadcers and flags of all 47 member states is rare indeed.

One who can, is the Queen, the head of the Commonwealth, and "Queen" of 19 of its members. The Queen takes the opportunity of these biennial meetings to talk to all of them, have them for dinner and to pose for the traditional "team" photograph.

According to those in the know, the Queen genuinely enjoys the occasion. She is, after all, the Commonwealth's biggest fan. It is her club, and she is proud of it. Indeed, it is her enthusiasm for the Commonwealth which has encouraged this unlikely association of disparate states to expand and develop.

Nicholas Ashford

THE TIMES INFORMATION SERVICE

Today's events

Royal engagements

The Duchess of Gloucester visits Victoria Memorial Hospital, Welshpool, 11.10; after which she visits Llyshafren Home for the Elderly, Welshpool, 12.10; then as Commandant-in-Chief, St John Ambulance Brigade, she attends a Service of Rededication at St Mary's Church, Welshpool, 3.

Music

Concert by the Cotswold Male Voice Choir and Patricia Garnham (Soprano), St George's Parish Church, **Nailsworth**, Glos, 7.

Harpsrecital by Vanessa McKeand, St Mary's Church, **Whitchurch**, Oxfordshire, 7.30.

St Alban's Festival: Stanhope Street, **Birmingham**, 1.10.

Concert by the Desford Colliery Band, **Uppingham School**, Rutland, 7.30.

Concert of chora and instrumental music by Christ's Hospital boys and girls, St George's Church, Kemp Town, **Brighton**, 7.30.

Concert by the St Christopher's Singers, St Mary's Church, **Luton**, 7.30.

Haydn's *Creation*, concert in aid of organ restoration, **Chichester** Cathedral, 7.30.

Concert by the London Bach Society, Steinitz Bach Players, Baroque Brass of London and the Rochester Cathedral Choir, **Rochester** Cathedral, 7.30.

Organ recital by Gareth Green, Trinity Methodist Church, Norton Road, **Wakefield**, 7.30.

Concert by the Gordon Busbridge Ensemble, St Benet's Church, **Beccles**, Suffolk, 7.30.

James Bowman Sings Handel, Birmingham Bach Society, **Birmingham** Cathedral, 7.30.

Vienna Art Orchestra concert, Dunelm House, **Durham**, 8.

Philharmonia concert with Philharmonia Chorus, Brangwyn Hall, **Swansea**, 7.30.

Tomorrow

Royal engagements

The Duke of Gloucester, President, National Association of Boy's Clubs, launces club week and the Royal Festival Hall and attends a Gala Diamond Jubilee celebration at the Queen Elizabeth Hall, 5.

Music

Recital by Ingrid Perrin (cello) and Lucy Wilson (piano), Bampton Arts Centre, 4.

Norfolk and Norwich Festival of Music: concert by the London Philharmonic Orchestra and the Festival Chorus, St Andrew's Hall, 5.30.

The papers

The vote by Nottinghamshire miners in favour of breaking away from Arthur Scargill's NUM is a victory for common sense, The Sun says. "Now the brave men who defied Mr Scargill throughout the year-long pit strike can build a moderate union that will look after the interests of its members and help to ensure that Britain has a prosperous coal industry. But if yesterday's vote was a triumph for democracy it was nothing short of total humiliation for Mr Scargill. At one go, 33,000 miners have bid their Marxist boss goodbye. Many more, we guess, will follow."

Anniversaries

Today

Births: **Sir Thomas Browne**, physician and author, London, 1605; he died on October 19 at Norwich, 1682; **Leigh Hunt**, essayist, Southgate, Middlesex, 1784; **Adam Lindsay Gordon**, poet, Fayal, Azors, 1833.

Deaths: **John, King of England** 1199-1216, Newark, Lincolnshire, 1216; **Jonathan Swift**, Dublin, 1745; **Sir Charles Wheatstone**, physicist, Paris, 1875; **Ernest Rutherford, Baron Rutherford of Nelson**, physicist, Cambridge, 1937; **Edna St Vincent Millay**, poet, Austerlitz, New York, 1950.

Tomorrow

Births: **Sir Christopher Wren**, East Knoyle, Wiltshire, 1632; **Henry John Temple, 3rd Viscount Palmerston**, Prime Minister, 1855-58, 1859-65, Broadlands, Hampshire, 1784;

In the garden

From now on we are having a gamble with the weather about frosts. One hard air frost will put paid to dahlias and many other tender plants, so it may be better to be safe than sorry.

Begonias, geraniums, busy lizzies (impatiens) and fuschias should be brought under cover now. So should cyclamen and the winter flowering *Azalea indica*, if they have been stood outside during the summer.

If plants of *Begonia semperflorens* are potted and trimmed back after flowering they will make new growth and good large plants to put out next May. Pot, or box up, tuberous begonias in peat and allow the stems to wither by withholding water.

Slugs and snails are busy egg laying now and should be attacked by putting down slug bait or by watering liquid slug killer around plants where their slimy trails are to be seen.

Leaves are falling now; see that they do not smother rock plants and try to prevent them from falling into pools where they may rot and harm fish. If possible, spread a net over rock gardens and pools to catch fallen leaves and empty it every week.

R.H.

Gardens open

P = Plants for sale.

Today and other days

East Sussex: Sheffield Park Garden, 5m NW of Uckfield, E of A275, halfway between East Grinstead and Lewes; 100 acres; 5 lakes on different levels; splendid autumn colour, open every day except Mondays until November 10, weekdays 11 to 8; 1 to sunset on Sundays in October and November.

Somerset: Hadspen House, 2m SE of Castle Cary, on A371 to Wincanton; 6 acre Edwardian garden; trees, shrubs, shrub roses, tender wall plants, shrubs; unusual plants for sale, Mondays to Saturdays 10 to 5; Sundays 2 to 5.

Tomorrow

London: Chelsea Physic Garden, 66 Royal Hospital Rd, SW3; 4 acres, contains a wide range of plants; open today for the last time this year, 2 to 5.

Oxfordshire: Brackenwood, Bladon, 8m NE of Witney on A4095, 2m SW of Woodstock; 1½ acres, large variety trees, shrubs and perennials, fine autumn colour; 2 to 6.

Warwickshire: The Mill Garden, Mill Street, Warwick, just off A425 S of bridge over Avon; 1 acre, herb garden, raised alpine beds, trees, shrubs, herbaceous; 2.15 to 6.

West Sussex: High Beeches, Handcross, near Crawley; fine trees and shrubs and autumn colour; rare and unusual plants for sale; crafts and produce stalls; all profits for benefit of the National Council for the Conservation of Plants and Gardens; 10 to 4.

Gloucestershire: Gardens of Gloucestershire College of Agriculture, Hartpury, off A417, 5m N of Gloucester on Ledbury Road; 4 acres of grounds, walled garden and greenhouses; 2 to 5.30.

Perthshire: Meadowr by Blairgowrie; fine trees, river walks, beautiful autumn colour; 1.30 to 4.30.

The pound

	Bank Buys:	Bank Sells
Australia $	2.10	2.00
Austria Sch	27.40	26.00
Belgium Fr	79.40	75.60
Canada $	2.02	1.93
Denmark Kr	14.14	13.44
Finland Mkk	8.42	8.02
France Fr	11.84	11.33
Germany DM	3.685	3.705
Greece Dr	255.00	215.00
Hong Kong $	11.40	10.80
Ireland Pt	1.255	1.205
Italy Lire	2630.00	2500.00
Japan Yen	312.00	304.00
Netherlands Gld	4.39	4.18
Norway Kr	11.67	11.12
Portugal Esc	236.00	228.00
South Africa Rd	4.00	3.50
Spain Pta	236.25	224.25
Sweden Kr	11.72	11.17
Switzerland Fr	3.20	3.04
USA $	1.492	1.422
Yugoslavia Dnr	480.00	440.00

Rates for small denomination bank notes only, as supplied by Barclays Bank PLC. Different rates apply to travellers' cheques and other foreign currency business.

Retail Price Index: 376.5.

London: The FT index closed up 7.6 at 1050.9.

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Roads

London and South-east: A3031: Albert Bridge closed to all traffic from 7am today until 6pm tomorrow. A8: Contraflow on southbound carriageway on South Mimms bypass, Herts from midnight last night until 9am tomorrow. A202: One lane in use with temporary signals in Peckham Road, Peckham, at junction with Havil Street. A245: Closed in Randalls Road, Leatherhead, from 8.30 today; diversions signposted; work may last two days.

Midlands: M6: Contraflow E of Birmingham, between junction 5 (B'ham NE) and 4 (B'ham airport and NEC); 2 lanes each way; junction 4, northbound, entry slip closed 7.30am to 9.30 and 3.30 to 6.30pm; southbound entry slip closed 7.30 to 9.30am. M5: Single lane northbound at times; between junction 4 (Bromsgrove A38) and 5 (Droitwich A38) two lanes southbound; no northbound access at junction 5. A53: Major resurfacing through Hodnet town centre, between Shrewsbury and Market Drayton, Shropshire; temporary lights.

Wales and West: M4: One lane only from last night to tomorrow afternoon, westbound on the Severn Bridge; delays expected. M4: Contraflow with 30mph speed limit one mile either side of junction 33 (between Coryton and Miskin); delays expected. M5: One land southbound between junctions 25 and 26, Taunton to Wellington.

North: Corporation Street, Manchester, closed southbound between Canon street and Market Street from 7pm today until Mon morning; diversion. M62: Contraflow between junctions 32 (A639 Castleford) and 33 (A1) W Yorkshire; westbound delays; work on the eastbound slip at junction 32. A49: Bypass construction and N of Tarporley, Cheshire.

Scotland: A814: Clydeside expressway will be closed on the eastbound carriageway today between Haybum Street and Finnieston Street. It is closed between Haybum Street and Argly Street 6am to 4pm tomorrow.

Portfolio

For readers who may have missed a copy of *The Times* this week, we repeat below the week's *Portfolio* price changes (today's are on page 12).

Share No	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat	Weekly Total
1	+4	+4	+4	+4	+3		
2	+5	+4	+2	+5	+2		
3	+2	+5	+2	+4	+5		
4	+5	+3	+1	+6	+5		
5	+3	+2	+4	+6	+3		
6	+5	+6	+2	+3	+2		
7	+1	+6	+3	+4	+1		
8	+5	+6	+1	+6	+2		
9	+5	+4	+2	+8	+5		
10	+1	+4	+4	+3	+2		
11	+1	+10	+3	+5	+2		
12	+4	+4	+1	+5	+5		
13	+1	+7	+5	+3	+2		
14	+1	+10	−1	+2	+5		
15	+4	+10	+2	+4	+5		
16	+6	+5	+2	+3	+2		
17	+4	+8	−2	+2	+2		
18	+5	+6	+5	+2	+3		
19	+2	+6	+5	+7	+2		
20	+5	+5	+2	+8	+1		
21	+5	+3	+4	+2	+4		
22	+6	+2	+1	+2	+3		
23	+5	+6	+2	+3	+4		
24	+1	+4	+2	+6	+2		
25	+4	+3	+2	+3	+2		
26	+6	+4	+1	+3	+7		
27	+1	+2	+5	+4	+5		
28	+3	+3	−1	+4	+5		
29	+4	+1	+8	+4	+4		
30	+2	+2	+5	+2	+3		
31	+2	+2	+3	+7	+3		
32	+3	+3	+2	+2	+2		
33	+5	+3	+7	+2	+3		
34	+3	+3	+2	+2	+2		
35	+5	+5	+2	+4	+2		
36	+4	+1	+5	+4	+2		
37	+1	+3	+1	+1	+5		
38	+4	+3	+2	+1	+5		
39	+2	+3	+5	+1	+3		
40	+4	+5	+7	−2	+4		

Weather

Pressure will remain high over British Isles. Northern Scotland will be dry with sunny periods after the clearance of early mist and fog patches. Southern Scotland and Northern Ireland will be rather cloudy but some sunny intervals are expected.

6am to midnight

London, SE, central S, SW England, E, W Midlands, Channel Islands, S, N, Wales: Mostly dry, rather cloudy; wind variable light; max temp 13 to 15C (55 to 59F).

East Anglia, E, central N England: Mostly dry, rather cloudy; misty at first, but sunny intervals developing; wind variable light; max temp 14 to 16C (57 to 61F).

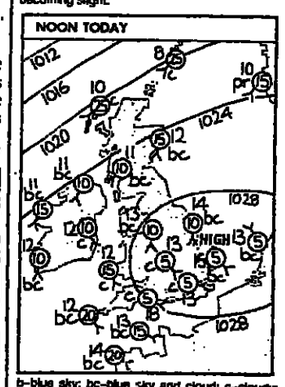
NW, NE England, Lake District, Isle of Man, Borders, SW Scotland, Northern Ireland: Dry, mist and fog patches clearing, sunny intervals developing; wind SW light; max temp 11 to 13C (52 to 55F).

Edinburgh, Dundee, Aberdeen, Glasgow, central Highlands, Moray Firth, NE, NW Scotland, Argyll, Orkney: Dry, sunny periods after the clearance of mist and fog patches; wind SW light or moderate; max temp 10 to 12C (50 to 54F).

Shetland: Dry, sunny periods; wind SW moderate; max temp 10C (50F).

Outlook for tomorrow and Monday: Dry in S with overnight mist and fog; a little rain in N; near normal temperatures. Night frost.

SEA PASSAGES: S North Sea, Strait of Dover, English Channel (E): Wind light, variable; sea smooth. St George's Channel, Irish Sea: Wind SW, light increasing moderate; sea smooth, becoming slight.



b-blue sky; bc-blue sky and cloud; c-cloudy; o-overcast; f-fog; d-drizzle; h-hail; m-mist; r-rain; s-snow; th-thunderstorm; p-showers. Arrows show wind direction, wind speed (mph) circled, temperatures centigrade.

Lighting-up time

TODAY

London 5.29 pm to 7.03 am
Bristol 6.39 pm to 7.13 am
Edinburgh 4.33 pm to 7.24 am
Manchester 6.34 pm to 7.15 am
Penzance 6.53 pm to 7.22 am

TOMORROW

London 5.27 pm to 7.05 am
Bristol 6.37 pm to 7.14 am
Edinburgh 4.30 pm to 7.26 am
Manchester 6.32 pm to 7.17 am
Penzance 6.51 pm to 7.24 am

Yesterday

Temperatures at midday yesterday: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun.

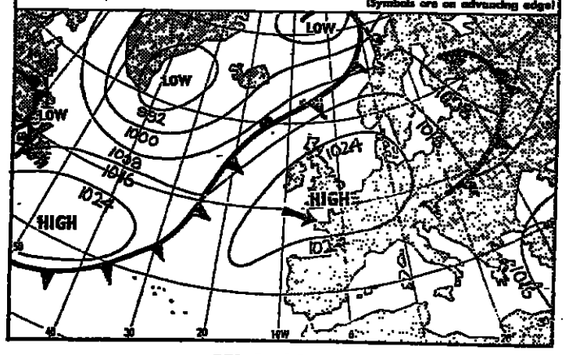
		C	F			C	F
Belfast	f	13	55	Guernsey	c	13	55
Birmingham	c	11	52	Inverness	f	12	54
Blackpool	c	12	54	Jersey	d	13	55
Bristol	c	13	55	London	c	13	55
Cardiff	c	11	52	Manchester	c	11	52
Edinburgh	c	11	52	Newcastle	c	11	52
Glasgow	s	15	59	Ronaldsway	c	14	57

London

Yesterday: Temp: max 6 am to 6 pm, 13C (55F); min 6 pm to 6 am, 12C (54F). Humidity: 6 pm, 75 per cent. Rain: 24hr to 6 pm, nil. Sun in: 24hr to 6 pm, nil hr. Bar, mean sea level, 6 pm, 1027.4 millibars rising.
1,000 millibars=29.53 in.

Highest and lowest

Yesterday: Highest day temp: Guernsey, Jersey, Glasgow 18C (61F); lowest day max: Binbrook 9C (48F); highest rainfall: Kinloss 0.05in; highest sunshine: Prestwick 9hr.



High tides

TODAY	AM	HT	PM	HT	TOMORROW	AM	HT	PM	HT
London Bridge	5.57	6.6	6.13	6.8	London Bridge	6.44	6.2	7.1s	6.4
Aberdeen	5.34	4.1	5.54	3.8	Aberdeen	6 42	3.7	6.56	3.5
Avonmouth	11.25	11.8	11.52	11.1	Avonmouth	-	-	12.16	11.5
Belfast	3.11	3.5	3.32	3.4	Belfast	4.11	3.2	4.20	3.3
Cardiff	11.13	11.0	11.37	10.4	Cardiff	-	-	12.01	8.9
Devonport	10.00	5.2	10.29	4.8	Devonport	10 45	4.9	11.25	4.4
Dover	2.58	6.3	3.22	6.2	Dover	3.50	5.9	4.21	5.7
Falmouth	9.30	5.0	9.59	4.6	Falmouth	10.15	4.7	10.55	4.2
Glasgow	4.52	5.1	5.15	5.0	Glasgow	5.34	4.8	5.56	4.7
Harwich	3.47	3.8	4.10	3.9	Harwich	4.34	3.6	5.07	3.7
Holyhead	2.16	5.3	2.40	5.2	Holyhead	3 18	4.8	3.43	4.8
Hull	10.28	7.0	10.50	6.7	Hull	11.28	6.4	11.48	6.2
Ilfracombe	10.07	8.4	10.24	8.0	Ilfracombe	10.53	7.7	11.31	7.2
Leith	6.54	5.4	7.22	5.0	Leith	7.56	6.0	8.24	4.7
Liverpool	3.09	9.0	3.33	8.7	Liverpool	4 04	8.2	4.31	8.1
Lowestoft	1.27	2.3	1 57	2.5	Lowestoft	2.12	2.5	3.05	2.3
Margate	4.03	4.5	4.23	4.7	Margate	4.49	4.3	5.20	4.4
Milford Haven	10.27	6.4	10.53	6.0	Milford Haven	11.21	5.9	11.55	5.4
Newquay	9.21	6.5	9.48	6.1	Newquay	10.17	6.0	10.52	5.8
Oban	9 43	3.6	10.02	3.2	Oban	10.40	3.3	11.07	2.8
Penzance	9.07	5.3	9.38	4.8	Penzance	9.56	4.9	10.39	4.4
Portland	11 04	2.1	11.33	1.8	Portland	11.43	1.8	-	-
Portsmouth	3 36	4.5	3.58	4.5	Portsmouth	4.31	4.3	4.47	4.1
Shoreham	3.10	6.0	3.28	5.9	Shorchm	3.58	5.6	4.21	5.4
Southampton	2 52	4.3	3.15	4.2	Southampton	3.56	4.1	4.19	3.9
Swansea	10.28	8.8	10.53	8.4	Swansea	11.21	8.1	11.52	7.8
Tees	7.59	5.1	8.17	4.9	Tees	9 02	4.7	9.19	4.5
Walton-on-Naze	3 42	3.9	4.03	4.1	Walton-on-Naze	4 28	3.7	4.59	3.8

TODAY
Sun rises: 7.31 am
Sun sets: 5 59 pm
Moon rises: 2.40 pm
Moon sets: 9.36 pm
First quarter tomorrow.

TOMORROW
Sun rises: 7.33 am
Sun sets: 5.57 pm
Moon rises: 3.28 am
Moon sets: 10.40 pm
First quarter 9 13 pm.

Around Britain

	Sun hr	Rain in	Max C	Max F		Sun hrs	Rain in	Max C	Max F	
Scarboro	-	-	11	52	Dull	Guernsey	1.4	-	18	61	Cloudy
Bridlington	-	-	11	52	Dull	Scilly Isles	-	-	13	55	Dull
Cromer	-	-	12	54	Dull	Newquay	0.9	-	15	59	Cloudy
Clacton	-	-	13	55	Dull	Ilfracombe	-	-	15	59	Cloudy
Margate	-	-	14	57	Cloudy	Tenby	-	-	14	57	Sunny
Folkestone	-	-	14	57	Cloudy	Southport	-	-	13	55	Cloudy
Hastings	-	-	14	57	Cloudy	Morecambe	0.3	-	13	55	Dull
Eastbourne	-	-	15	59	Dull	Douglas	-	.02	13	55	Cloudy
Brighton	-	-	14	57	Cloudy	Llandudno (Cst)	-	-	13	55	Cloudy
Worthing	-	-	15	59	Cloudy	Prestn (Airpt)	-	-	12	54	Dull
Littlehmptn	-	-	15	59	Cloudy	Bristol (Cst)	-	-	13	55	Dull
Bognor R	-	-	14	57	Dull	Cardiff (Cst)	0.1	-	13	55	Cloudy
Southsea	-	-	14	57	Cloudy	Aberdare	-	-	14	57	Cloudy
Shanklin	-	-	13	55	Cloudy	Bristol (Airpt)	0.3	-	13	55	Cloudy
Bournemth	-	-	14	57	Cloudy	Manchester	-	-	13	55	Dull
Poole	-	-	14	57	Cloudy	Nottingham	-	-	10	50	Cloudy
Swanage	-	-	14	57	Cloudy	N'cstl-n-Tyne	1.1	-	12	54	Drizle am
Weymouth	-	-	14	57	Dull	Carlisle	2.0	-	14	57	Sunny pm
Exmouth	0.1	-	15	59	Dull	Edinburgh	3.8	-	13	55	Drizle am
Torquay	-	-	14	57	Cloudy	Prestwick	9.0	-	14	57	Sunny
Falmouth	0.8	-	14	57	Dull	Glasgow	0.1	-	16	61	Sunny
Penzance	0.3	-	14	57	Dull	Tiree	7.8	.01	13	55	Sunny
Jersey	2.9	-	18	61	Bright pm	Stornoway	3.7	.01	13	55	Showrs am
						Lerwick	2.2	.02	11	52	Showrs

Abroad

MIDDAY: c, cloud; d, drizzle; f, fair; fg, fog; r, rain; s, sun; sn, snow.

		C	F			C	F			C	F
Ajaccio	s	21	70	Cologne	c	13	54	Majorca	s	24	75	Rome	s	19	66
Alicante	f	21	70	Copenhgn	f	13	55	Malaga	s	25	77	Salzburg	s	12	54
Alexandria	c	21	70	Corfu	s	21	70	Malta	s	25	77	Sao Paulo*	s	24	75
Algiers	s	27	81	Dublin	c	11	52	Melbourne*	f	13	55	S Fr'sco*	d	14	57
Amsterdam	c	13	55	Dubrovnik	s	19	66	Mexico C				Santiago*	r	17	63
Athens	c	15	59	Faro	s	24	75	Miami*	s	30	86	Seoul	s	14	57
Bahrain	s	32	90	Florence	s	17	63	Milan	s	17	63	Singapore	f	32	90
Barbados				Frankfurt	s	14	57	Montreal*	s	10	50	Stockholm	r	7	45
Barcelona	f	21	70	Funchal	c	23	73	Moscow	f	3	37	Strasbourg	s	10	70
Beirut	s	27	81	Geneva	s	15	59	Munich	f	8	46	Sydney	c	21	70
Belgrade	s	14	57	Gibraltar	f	22	72	Nairobi				Tangier	s	23	73
Berlin	d	11	52	Helsinki	c	6	43	Naples	s	19	66	Tel Aviv	s	29	84
Bermuda*	s	27	81	Hong Kong	f	27	81	New Delhi	s	28	82	Tenerife	s	25	77
Biarritz	c	18	64	Innsbruck	s	13	55	New York*	s	15	61	Tokyo	s	25	77
Boulogne	c	13	55	Istanbul	f	14	57	Nice	s	20	68	Toronto*	s	15	59
Bordeaux	s	20	68	Jeddah	s	34	93	Oslo	s	9	48	Tunis	s	11	52
Brussels	s	13	55	Jo'burg				Paris	s	13	55	Valencia	r	22	72
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SATURDAY

A weekly guide to leisure, entertainment and the arts

Oriental hit and mystic

Thousands of men, women and children in Britain get their kicks from a myriad of martial arts. From kendo to kung fu, Nicolas Soames describes the almost spiritual hold that grips their devotees

I was 27. I was unfit and I was fat. That morning, March 25, 1977, I had wobbled on to the scales and stepped off just as hastily as I caught sight of the needle approaching 15 stone. But I kept the appointment with my son's judo teacher, a third dan at the private judo club he ran at the top of St Albans Telephone Exchange.

I remember stepping on to the white canvas mat with a certain amount of apprehension – which turned out to be justified. I lasted 10 minutes into the warm-up exercises before the instructor suggested, with a note of concern in his voice, that I take a breather. I gasped an assent through a mist of sweat and pain.

It was the first of many such mists I was to encounter over the next eight years, but not once did I seriously consider giving up. That, alone, is one of life's engaging mysteries. Perhaps that is the greatest mystery of the martial arts.

For like most people who practise a combat skill, I am not consumed with the myth of invincibility nor do I have posters of Bruce Lee stuck up on my bedroom wall. I hadn't been mugged, nor was I frightened I was going to be, though all these reasons populate the martial arts clubs. It may be because I felt I was a 15-stone weakling that I started – but that could not be why I continued: to be launched into the air and landed on your back when you are carrying that kind of weight is no joke. Particularly when your opponent lands on top of you, and proceeds to strangle you. My wife, a gentle pianist, would just put her head in her hands and turn away.

But the martial arts are all things to all men, women and children. In the East End of London there is a Western Buddhist movement which holds karate classes for its more vigorous members and tai chi classes for the more introspective. Down the road, by Stratford, is a judo club which is somewhat rough and tumble. I have heard of karate classes where the dojo door is locked behind you and survival is the order of the day. You can view that approach in two ways. There is the raunchy "No Pain No Gain" syndrome, or the more poetic "Discipline Sharpens Pleasure". The end may be different but the means is the same – it hurts.

One way to decide which martial art you should choose is to consider how you would instinctively react if confronted by an aggressor in the street. Would you punch, grab or reach for a weapon?

Decide what you want out of a martial art and what you consider to be a martial art. Do you just want to learn techniques of self-defence or do you actually enjoy a degree of combat? Are you looking to transform yourself mentally and physically, or do you want to become deeply immersed in complex technique? Do you want to become fit but find running and weights tedious beyond belief, or do you just want a punch-up and a pint?

Are you drawn to a particular culture, Japanese, Chinese, Korean, Thai? Dressing up in 18th-century Japanese leather armour and attacking your opponent with a bamboo sword, screaming in Japanese, may appear a curious exercise in 20th century Britain, but it is transforming for some people. And I don't find it any more odd than dancing round a ring in short trousers with huge leather mittens trying to beat the hell out of an opponent.

It must be remembered that Bruce Lee, for all his Wing Chun kung fu style and Hong Kong street-fighting background, seriously studied Western boxing and Western fencing. So why is karate regarded as a martial art and not boxing? Is the difference only one of source – one from the mystic East and the other from the mundane West? Did the Japanese really put the martial into art, or the Shoalin Temple (the mythical source of Chinese martial arts) the art into things martial? What happened to the Knightly Arts of the West? Why do thousands of "serious" students practise with the *nunchaku* (rice flails) and *shinai* (kendo bamboo swords), and only a few nutters breaks lances in the lists?

Part of the answer may lie in the Buddhist environment from which many of the most popular martial arts emerged. Transformation of the personality was as much a central theme as development of fighting technique. Aggression was always to be controlled and blood lust frowned upon (Rambo, please note). Winning is not all. Wisdom and compassion are as crucial to of the martial artist's make-up as fast fists.

Nevertheless, it must be said that not only are there blemishes on the surface of the martial arts, but a festering pot beneath. In the past, in Japan, feuding between rival factions often led to death. In 20th-century Britain, however, the feuding confines itself to verbal exchanges.

Perfect technique should reflect perfect mental balance, but this is not always true. Trevor Leggett, the senior figure in British judo, and a man held in high esteem by the Japanese, remarked once that in his 40 years of international practice, only in two or three men did he find ideal mental balance really reflected in judo.

Yet the richness of the martial arts makes them a casket of multi-faceted jewels and a never-ending study. Many exponents of one form, such as judo, try others. Some toy with Thai boxing which, though being a fearsome business, does have its ritual: before fights, participants go through the motions of shooting an arrow and, er, digging the opponent's grave. But after some months, they find the technical base of eight punches and six or seven kicks limiting, and the practice of attacking without fear or favour rather raw.

Having dabbled in karate and looked with interest at other things, my daily practice is now judo. I spend my holidays at judo summer schools and a dream, achieved earlier this year, was to study judo at a Japanese university. Many mists of sweat and pain.

I am now 35 and a second dan and only 13 stone and I remain as absorbed by judo as ever: by the fresh keenness of the nine and ten-year-olds I teach at a junior school in Hemel Hempstead ("Shall I chuck him now, Sir?" they ask me with big eyes); by the flash of the tai-otoshi with which Loretta Doyle won her third British Open title the other weekend; and I delight in my son's judo, and smile as he gets closer and closer to overcoming his father, as youth always triumphs over old age – in matters of the flesh at least.

But principally, I am stimulated by my own practice. Last night, along with many other club players, I was fortunate to count Britain's Olympic silver medallist Neil Adams among my fighting partners (had I taken up snooker, how often would I have had the opportunity to cross cues with Steve Davis?).

This morning, I was up at 6.30am to run past the Roman ruins in Verulamium Park to my dojo, an old silent hut without lights or furnishings. I lit the candles surrounding the mat and practised with my partner in the flicker and glow before running back to start the day's work. I would rather not think what I would have been like had I not kept that appointment in the St Albans Telephone Exchange; or had I succumbed to one of those passing mists of sweat and pain on the way and given up. That is the mystery of martial arts.



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Blow, blow, kick kick, blow . . .

A guide to help you choose which is the most suitable system



Cut and thrust: a warrior tradition from Japan

STRIKING SYSTEMS

Karate – "empty hand" – which developed over several centuries on the island of Okinawa, is the name given to the Japanese striking systems, of which there are three highly popular styles.
Shotokan, the original style, was introduced to Japan by Funakoshi in the early part of this century. It is characterized by strong, wide stances, firm blocks, and equal emphasis for punches and kicks.
Wado-ryu developed from Shotokan, and is biased towards speed rather than strength, deflection rather than strong blocks. **Kyokushinkai** is a fierce style, involving more physical contact than the other two.
Other systems include **taekwondo** from Korea, which has emphasis on high, spectacular kicks, and **Thai boxing**, in which you use feet, fists, knees, elbows, anywhere.
Suitability: Shotokan, wado-ryu and taekwondo are suitable for everyone; kyokushinkai is more assertive. Aspiring Thai boxers should be young, fit and aggressive.
Self defence: Very good with Thai boxing, good with all the Japanese styles and taekwondo. All except Thai boxing are very suitable for women.
Availability: There are more schools in the UK for karate than any other martial art – about 200,000 exponents in all and Britain is one of the top competitive nations. Shotokan is the most popular. Taekwondo is growing in popularity and is to be an exhibition sport in the 1988 Olympics.
Contacts: Shotokan, wado-ryu, kyokushinkai: English Karate Board, 175 Maplestead Road, Dagenham, Essex; English Karate Council, Martial Arts Commission, 15 Deptford Broadway, London SE8 (01-691 3433). **Taekwondo:** R. Scott, Blackcroft, Clayton Green, Preston, Lancashire. **Thai boxing:** Busabong Restaurant, 329 Fulham Road, London SW10 (01-351 4238).

WEAPON SYSTEMS

The weapon systems are the least developed of the martial arts in the West, in spite of various hardware in martial arts shops, including knives, forks – the three pronged *Japanese saiti* – cudgels, throwing stars – *ninja shuriken*, – weighted chains and Chinese scimitars. Bruce Lee's *nunchaku* – rice flails – and the *tonfa*, part of soya-beating equipment, emerged from Japanese karate, but are now found in Chinese systems. The most common is **kendo** (way of the sword), which developed in 18th-century Japan as a safer way of sword practice. The *shinai* (bamboo sword) is used in seven basic cuts and a thrust to the throat.
Iai-do, the art of drawing a sword, is another Japanese system. **Kyu-do**, the way of the bow, is a meditative study in self-transformation.
Suitability: Kendo is suitable for all ages and types, although you must be prepared to get sweaty inside the armour, and be bruised by the sword. Iai-do and kyu-do are only suitable for introspective adults.
Self-defence: Very limited.
Availability: Limited, but growing for kendo.
Contacts: British Kendo Association, 23 All Saints Terrace, Cheltenham, Glos. **Iai-do and kyu-do:** Martial Arts Commission, 15 Deptford Broadway, London SE8.

CHINESE SYSTEMS

Between the Shaolin temple and the explosion of Bruce Lee films in the 1960s and '70s, lies the complex world of the Chinese martial arts. They can roughly be divided into two systems – internal and external. In the internal system, **tai chi chuan**, the emphasis is on the effect of the technique on the exponent. In the external system, **kung fu**, the effect on the opponent is paramount. Tai chi chuan is practised by millions in the parks of China at dawn, its graceful movements are "like water flowing over all obstacles". The sequences of movement are studied in extreme detail and develop the use of *chi* (psycho-physical energy).
The external systems, known as **kung fu**, are derived from dynastic traditions, characterized by fast, deft movements and include strikes, grappling and throwing. **Wing chung**, one of Bruce Lee's styles, is the most popular.
Suitability: Tai chi is suitable for all ages, and particularly older people and gentle men. For the external systems you should be young and fit.
Self defence: Tai chi is not suitable, except at the most advanced level. The external systems have average applications.
Availability: Good for tai chi chuan in the south of England; increasing for external systems.

Contacts: British Tai Chi Chuan Association, 7 Wimpole Street, London W1 (01-935 8444); **International Tai Chi Chuan Association**, 184 Drummond Street, London NW1 (01-387 5381). **British Kung Fu Council**, R. Eagle, c/o R. M. Bull and Co, Oakdale Avenue, Northwood, Middx.

GRAPPLING SYSTEMS

The three systems most widely available in the UK are **judo, aikido** and **ju-jitsu**. Judo is a systhesis of techniques from ju-jitsu, the earliest form, and was formulated by Jigoro Kano in 1882. First seen at the Olympics in 1964, it is now regarded more as a sport than as a martial art. The techniques include throws, armlocks, strangles and endless combinations.
Aikido is another Japanese style, also developed from ju-jitsu. It is much purer with emphasis placed on smooth, circular movements using perfect posture. Study is formal and takes place is a quiet atmosphere.
Ju-jitsu is the original rough stuff, involving punches, kicks and strangles.
Suitability: Judo can be practised at many levels by all ages, but average fitness and an enjoyment of rough and tumble action is essential for normal club practice. It appeals to those who do not like the restraint required in some of the striking systems. Aikido and ju-jitsu are suitable for all ages and sizes.
Self defence: Judo has fair self-defence potential; aikido is good, but only after many years of practice and ju-jitsu is one of the best methods of self defence. Aikido and ju-jitsu are particularly suitable for women.
Availability: There are judo clubs everywhere, with participants aged from five to 70. Aikido is less widely available, although there are about 20,000 participants. The modern ju-jitsu movement is fairly new in the UK, but expanding.
Contacts: British Judo Association, Sports Council, Upper Woburn Place, London W1 (01-387 9340). **British Aikido Board**, c/o Mrs S. Tims, 6 Halkingcroft, Langley, Slough, Bucks. (75 73985). **British Ju-Jitsu Association** c/o R. Morris, 16 Bexley Gardens, Edmonton, London N9 (01-254 5682).

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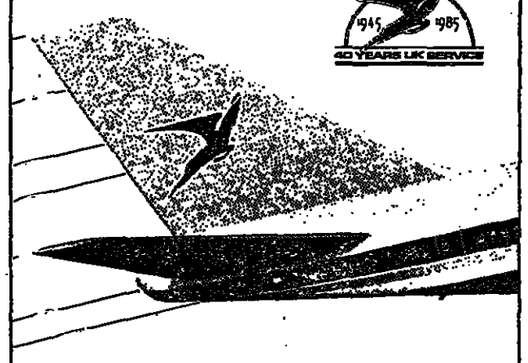
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TRAVEL

A fine time in instant Asia



Charm merchants: despite the onslaught of the property developers, Singapore retains some of the features of a bygone age. One is Raffles Hotel, whose revived fortunes are now reflected in the soaring consumption of gin slings

Sean Hignett goes on a systematic tour of Singapore, taking in the high life of the past and the high-rise blocks of the present

There was a time when I knew just three things about Singapore. I could hum "Singapore girls, you're doing fine"; I was familiar with Changi Jail, having read *The Naked Island* years ago (illicitly – it was thought too violent for a tender mind); and I had heard of Raffles Hotel, thanks to a gambler friend who had returned from the Far East and opened a green and white rattan-filled fern bar of the same name in an urban basement.

Now I am older and a little wiser. I know, for example, that Singapore has laws about everything from long hair to loitering. "This is a very systematic country", said Kala, our guide, within minutes of our arrival. "We have a saying: 'Singapore is a fine city; there's a fine for everything.' "

And so it proved. "No tipping. By law." "No litter. By law. $500 fine." "No smoking. $50,000 fine. Or is it $500? The last zeros look as though they may have been added by some anti-smoking fanatic, in the process producing the only graffito in the whole island; "Fine $300 – By law."

We stayed at the Mandarin Hotel whose rotating restaurant in the shape of a classical Chinese court official's hat tops its 35 floors. Singapore is flush with deluxe hotels and more are going up, so that 15,000 beds now will double to 30,000 by the end of 1986.

This enormous surplus of rooms means cut-throat price-cutting. The Mandarin is probably beyond competition – by the time I reached my room, personalized writing paper and book matches had been printed and were on my desk. I was tempted to see if I could get a suit made before dinner.

The Far East invented fast food and we dined sumptuously on it in the open at Newton Circus. There are no street foodstalls or even street traders any more in Singapore. They have tidied up – "systematized", as Kala would say – the hawkers' food stalls into tiled and fenced compounds, off the street and out of the traffic, and shunted the traders into grim concrete layers with all the ambience of a multi-storey car park.

Street traders have been moved into grim concrete buildings

The food, however, has not suffered. One expert lady must have made so many fluffy oyster omelettes, she does it without even looking, keeping her eyes fixed on the passers-by. We choose half a dozen dishes and wash it all down with Tiger Beer.

Signs there exhort in English and Chinese: "Speak Mandarin – your children's future depends on it". It is a campaign against Chinese dialect, a fact confirmed by other signs at People's Park, a grim shopping centre that has replaced most of Chinatown. "Mandarin in, dialect out", they read. Most Singapore Chinese are of South China (Canotonese, Hakka, Hainan or Hokkien) origin. Mandarin, the language of Peking, is not their natural speech.

First stop for any tourist is "Asian Experience, a multi-media introduction to Singapore". Its subtitle is "Instant Asia" and it bears about as much resemblance to the real thing as instant coffee to freshly ground beans.

"Asian Experience" runs all day long and is packed by coachloads of Japanese who surely don't need to have Asia freeze-dried. It consists mostly of an awful stage show with a Chinese dance, an Indian dance and a Malaysian dance, as ethnic as the kind of thing you see going on in Aladdin's cave at the Christmas pantomime and ends with some terrible end-of-the-pier snake charmers. By the time we have filed out to let the next lot in, quick as an electronic flash the snake-charmers have changed into mufti and are hustling cheap knick-knacks at the door.

Serangoon Road, "Little India", is nearer to the real thing. From intricately tiled façades – all due to go under the developer's hammer – the smell of spice ground by primitive belt-driven mills drifts out, gold merchants weigh their wares, a band tunes up outside a funeral parlour, lots of activity. Plenty of inactivity, too: people hanging around on street corners or squatting under the arcades along the narrow pavements.

The biggest of the *barrios* is, naturally enough, Chinatown, for more than 75 per cent of Singaporeans are of Chinese origin.

Chinatown has been urbanely renewed. Sago Lane, its heart according to even the most recent official guide, is simply not there any more. Street markets have been moved into grim concrete buildings; the food stalls are in the Kreta Ayer complex, the bazaars in the gloomy and soulless People's Park.

Less gloomy are those unreconstructed funeral shops where bright red paper models, intended to provide in heaven the wealth one failed to acquire on earth, are fashioned. A sign of the times is the child-size Mercedes that even in paper can cost nearly as much as a driveable second-hand Cortina. But, as the song says, you'll never get to heaven in an old Ford car.

Between South Bridge Road and the high-rise office blocks of the commercial centre close to the sea, a relaxed area of Chinatown survives. It is a bit like what a sleepy mainland China town might have become, had it not been for the revolution and the massive demolition and rebuilding of the 1950s. The old "godowns" and shophouses have stairs as steep as ship's gangways and, between charcoal dealers and barber shops, galvanized ware is tinkered, brass stencils cut, jute sacks reclaimed.

Back on South Bridge Road, opposite a new shopping centre with the unlikely name of the Oriental Slasher Emporium, I poke into a dusty bookshop, full of political pamphlets and comic-strip books glorifying heroes of the Cultural Revolution.

The books, the owner tells me, are nothing to do with him. He arrived from Fukien in the 1920s, became a successful businessman and, in his retirement, has one aim left: to revive the ancient Chinese art of tea drinking that the Japanese upstarts have laid claim to.

Raffles Hotel is 100 years old next year. It looks like making its centenary by the skin of its teeth. In 1972 when the present manager Roberto Pregarz took over, it had 162 rooms, 117 of which were, on average, vacant, sold 10 gin slings a day in the Long Bar, and was in constant threat throughout the 1970s of demolition and redevelopment.

Thanks to the efforts of Sr Pregarz, the hotel was declared a historic landmark in 1981, afternoon tea with cucumber sandwiches has returned to the Tiffin Room, an orchestra to the Palm Court, and the present 127 rooms have a high occupancy rate. The number of gin slings has risen, too, to 1,000 a day, slung together in the Long Bar by a descendant of the barman who invented the original there in 1915.

After a relaxed dinner we walk through the gardens and look into the rooms which open directly on to the courtyard and are furnished in that old, accumulated, just growed style. Some are named after the writers who stayed here – Maugham, Coward, Conrad, Kipling, Hesse – and, so far as I could see, none after politicians or royalty – a proper sense of priorities.

Shopping there is a nightmare – the hassling is endless

Once a British fort and garrison, Sentosa is now a pleasure island, reached by ferry or high-flying cable car. The highlights are the century-old Fort Siloso and the wax museum.

The latter started with a single tableau of 27 figures, representing the Japanese surrender in 1945. Later a second tableau of only 15 figures showing the British surrender to the Japanese in 1942 was diplomatically added. Then, at the end of 1984, the former military convalescent hospital was done up and a complete set of waxworks now shows the whole history of Singapore. It was formally opened by the Japanese Ambassador the week before our arrival. It was perhaps for his sake that renovation of the two "Surrender" tableaux had not been completed for his inspection. "We are looking for new uniforms for the characters", a guide offered diplomatically.

Shopping in Singapore is a nightmare. Except in places like C. K. Tang's and expensive boutiques, prices are never marked and the hassling and haggling is endless. At the end of it, there is no way of knowing whether you've got the right price or not, never mind a bargain.

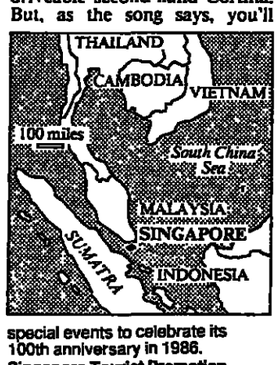
My two big buys were both "dogs". A portable electronic typewriter turned out to be hardly more than a microchip toy with expensive disposables; and a cordless telephone worked fitfully for about a week and then gave up altogether. My cheap buy, a folding umbrella bought on an afternoon that heralded the monsoon season, flew into fragments on its first British outing. *Caveat emptor.*

TRAVEL NOTES

Singapore Airlines, 143-147 Regent Street, London W1 (01-747 1777). Fares Apex from £562 return (Nov and Dec £640); first class £3,148 return. Asian Affair Holidays, a subsidiary of Singapore Airlines, offers a variety of packages that combine a trip to Singapore with other Far Eastern destinations such as Malaysia, Thailand, Bali and Hong Kong.

Mandarin Hotel, 333 Orchard Road, Singapore 0923. Reservations from Leading Hotels of the World, 15 New Bridge Street, London, EC4 (01-583 5212).

Raffles Hotel, 1-3 Beach Road, Singapore 0718 (010 65 3378041). The hotel is organizing a number of special events to celebrate its 100th anniversary in 1986.



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TRAVEL

Fair stood the wind for Agincourt

Somewhere ahead in the fog lay the roadworks on the A20. Beyond them lay Dover, and a choppy crossing through waters in whose depths lies the wreck of the Mont-Luis and her cargo of uranium hexafluoride.

All this we reflected, to explore a part of France which the AA's *Routes in France* writes off as "heavily industrialized", with towns "of little tourist interest". Yet, with only four nights to spare and a budget limited to one windfall cheque, there was neither time nor money to thunder down the N1 to somewhere more obvious – and so the previously unexplored Pas de Calais it had to be. Fortunately, as it turned out.

Montreuil-sur-Mer, which is 45 miles from Calais and only half as far from Boulogne, is hardly industrialized. But then it's not even sur-Mer any longer, rather a French Rye, the sea now just a rumour.

We wandered around the cobbled streets and the town square with its tinkling fountain, and the Benedictine Abbaye de St Saulve without seeing anything more industrial than a few allotments.

The allotments at Montreuil nestle at the foot of the ramparts which encircle this hill fortress, parts of it 700 years old. The ramparts begin and end at the huge Citadelle, where there is an old board listing the many local knights who fell to the English archers at Agincourt. It takes about an hour to walk around the lime-shaded avenue at the top of the town walls: below on one side is Montreuil itself, which is mostly 17th-century and on the other the timeless rolling farmlands of Picardy and of the valley of the Canche.

The swift, green Canche supplies trout and eels which figure strongly on the menus of the many small inns and country restaurants in this part of the Pas de Calais. To the west, the river flows out into the sea at the fishing port of Etaples.

Head eastwards and inland, however, and either side of the Canche are little tributary dales – that of the River Course is particularly beautiful – quiet, wooded places whose empty roads lead past secluded thatched farmhouses set in banks of geraniums, fuschia, gladioli and monbretia.

Agincourt, the hoarding proclaims, "symbolizes the story of the English archer over the French knight", and in relative terms was one of the bloodiest battles fought on French soil.

Nothing has been built here, and the medieval village of the same name is some distance off. The day we arrived, nobody else was in sight. The wind sighed through lonely copses and across endless open fields of grass and corn which are all too easy to marry up with the diagrams of battle dispositions set out on the board.

St Omer, to the north and east of Agincourt, is administratively speaking part of the Pas de Calais but yet is in Flanders, the scene of more recent carnage. This is an old ecclesiastical centre, built upon a hummock in the surrounding wetlands, whence comes the local speciality, pike. This can be eaten even on the 60-franc menu at the superb Restaurant du Cygne in the rue Caventou.

Once in Spanish hands, St Omer is "industrial", but only in the same sense as some of the old Cotswold towns it resembles – Witney, for instance, which grew from a textile trade that has since moved on. St Omer, however, is a lot bigger and has old merchants' houses much grander than those of the Cotswolds.

The town is criss-crossed with canals, and has an air of decline recently arrested, for one after another of the 17th-century houses seems to have the builders in.

Insofar as one building dominates St Omer, a town of many imposing establishments, it is the Cathédrale Notre-Dame in the rue Henri Dupois. From the look of the graffiti-strewn, birdlime-streaked exterior, the cathedral at first appears to be disused. Once inside, however, this superb church hums with life, both spiritual and temporal.

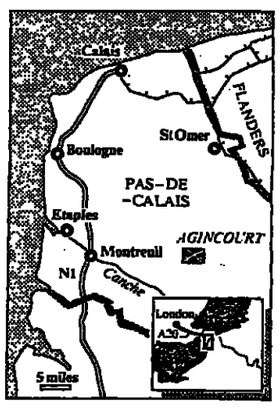
The columns of the nave soar up into the gloom, as if to heaven itself, but their roots are very much in mortal concerns. There are inscriptions at the base of each one, mostly thanks for the relief of suffering – one example, from 1267, records the gratitude of an Etienne de Vite on being eased of his rupture.

"Heavily industrialized"? "Of little tourist interest"? Everyone to their taste, but to ours, which is for the minimum of driving combined with the maximum of France, the Pas de Calais is hard to beat.

Ross Davies



All quiet on the western front: Montreuil, the perfect answer to the industrial myth



TRAVEL NOTES

Two invaluable guides in English are *Le Weekend* by Arthur Eperon (Pan, £2.95), and *French Entrée 2* by Patricia Fenn (Quiller, £3.75). Also get the annual *Guide des Hotels, Logis et Auberges de France* from the French Government Tourist Office at 178 Piccadilly, London W1(01-499 6911).

It is worth spending extra on a crossing by Hovercraft rather than by ferry. It also helps to get off to a good start, so pre-book lunch on arrival in Boulogne, as well as the first night's stay somewhere within easy driving distance. We were delighted with La Liégeoise in the rue Monsigny, (21 31 61 15), and with L'Auberge de la Canche at Beutin (16 21 06 02 75).

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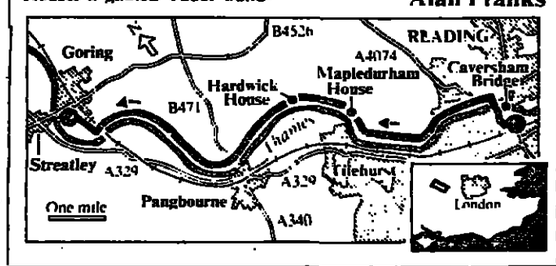
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It then strikes north House again towards Mapledurham, an imposing Elizabethan mansion built for the Blount family. Next comes Hardwick House, a gabled Tudor building reconstructed in the 17th century.

Like the canal walks now available to the British pedestrian, this path takes you through some fine, if unexpected, countryside without demanding the merest climb or descent. These 10½ miles are a fine advertisement for the entire new 156-mile Thames Walk.

The two villages of Goring and Streatley, at the end of this particular section, were once a kind of footbound Clapham Junction, with the river continuing westwards towards Wallingford and the great Ridgeway heading west towards Wantage and east to the Chilterns. This walk remains an excellent linking passage for anyone intent on a pilgrimage which takes in both river and ridge. Use Ordnance Survey map 175.

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COLLECTING

A great historical paper chase

Isabelle Anscombe has designs on an intriguing record of changes in taste

Wallpaper started life in Europe in the 16th century as a cheaper alternative to stamped leather, tapestry, silk hangings or wood panelling. These early painted papers closely imitated the real thing – marbling, for example, or armorials – but would only have been used for such small areas as chimney breasts or for lining chests and cupboards.

By the 17th century wallpapers were block printed or stencilled, with colours added by hand. Flocking – using glue to paint designs of costly silks or brocades, then rolling the paper in a drum containing fine snippets of silk or wool which would stick to the glue – had become immensely popular.

Fragments of such wallpapers have survived: Jonathan Hope, who deals mainly in textiles but occasionally buys wallpapers, recently sold a piece of dark green and red flocked linen of a crude baroque design, made for someone who could not afford the grand Spanish velvet or embossed leather it resembles. A piece 3ft by 2ft in good condition would fetch up to £1,500.

A century later, despite the introduction of a high tax on wallpapers, the paperstainer's trade came into its own, as styles of interior decoration changed and people wanted lighter, more elegant rooms.

It is the chinoiserie designs that are best known, and best loved, of all wallpaper designs. Flowers, birds, insects, landscapes, and scenes of Chinese domestic life were painted on to narrow papers which, when hung, formed large decorative panels.

A more rigorously elegant style, based on classical themes, appeared in France in the late 18th century, introduced by Jean-Baptiste Reveillon who was unfortunately forced to stop production when his factory became the first victim of the French Revolution and was burnt to the ground. More ostentatious, but very popular, were the large scenic or panoramic panels produced by firms like Jean Zuber or Dufour and Leroy.

Pieces by these early designers do come on the market, although prices can vary enormously. Sotheby's Monaco devoted an entire sale to wallpapers in 1983 and buyers paid £1,000-£2,000 for panels by Zuber showing birds or flowers, to more than £28,000 for panels printed by Dufour in 1804 illustrating Captain Cook's voyages in the Pacific.

The 19th century brought technical innovations – paper was now cheaply machine-printed in one continuous roll – and designers set about introducing more subdued colours, flat patterns and stylized floral designs.

William Morris, many of whose papers are still produced today, is probably the best-known designer of all time, and odd pieces and even unused rolls of his patterns do emerge from attic trunks. Perhaps more interesting are the papers by lesser-known designers, such as Bruce Talbert, C.F.A. Voysey or Walter Crane. A small piece of Crane's "Peacock" design might fetch as much as £400.

By the 1920s wallpaper had been condemned as a symbol of Victorian stuffiness and, for a while, plain walls were the only road to true elegance. But not everyone could live with bare walls and, in the 1930s, wallpaper again became acceptable.

Geraldine Norman



Fair game: a panel printed by Jean Zuber after 1850, which fetched £1,800 at Sotheby's, Monaco, in 1983.

Pieces of wallpaper do occasionally appear in furniture sales at the major auction houses. Dealers who sometimes have antique wallpapers include the **Maclean Gallery**, 49 Drayton Gardens, London SW10, open by appointment (01-373 2876); and **Haslam & Whiteway** (Arts and Crafts movement only), 105 Kensington Church Street, London W8 (01-229 1145).

There are large collections of wallpapers at the **Victoria & Albert Museum**, Cromwell Road, London SW7 (01-589 6371) and the **Whitworth Art Gallery**, University of Manchester, Whitworth Park, Manchester (061 273 4865). Nineteenth-century wallpapers from the Whitworth collection, as well as pattern books, photographs and textiles, are on show there until Dec 21.

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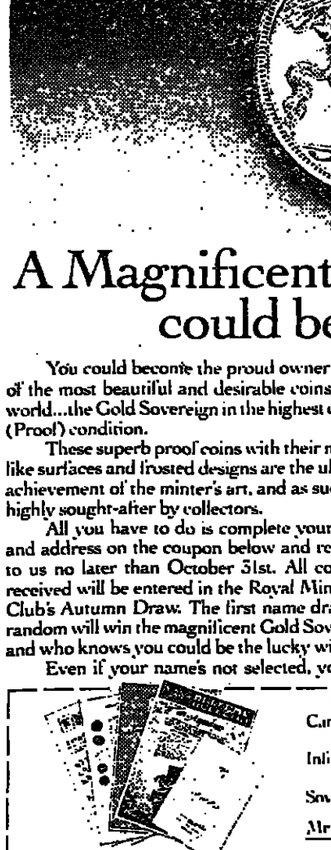
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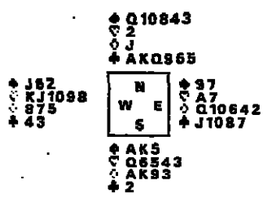
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Greek spadework topples Italians

Italy were expected to mount a strong challenge on their home ground in the 1985 European Championship in Salsomaggiore. It must have been a bitter disappointment for them to finish tenth. Disappointing perhaps, but by no means inexplicable if this hand from their match against Greece is anything to go by.

Italy v Greece. North-South game. Dealer West.



In the closed room Lambrinos and Georgias lamely settled for four spades, which they made with two overtricks. No doubt they were resigned to losing 13 IMPs to more accurate bidding by their counterparts, the Italian pair Vivaldi and Duboin. They were pleasantly surprised.

In the open room Vivaldi, who was South, declined to support spades, with the result that he became the declarer in three no trumps.

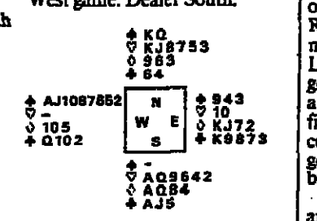
Zotos (West) led the ◇8 and Vivaldi captured East's ◇Q with the ◇K. Two rounds of clubs revealed the bad break, which should not have caused Vivaldi any great consternation because, provided the spades divided, there were 10 top tricks available.

To the horror of the home supporters, Vivaldi continued with the ♣Q and a fourth round which East won with the ♣J. All would still have been well had he retained four hearts. Unhappily, he had discarded two of them and when East switched to the ♡A followed by the ♡7, Greece received an Italian gift of 13 IMPs.

What was responsible? A brainstorm or some extraordinary blind spot? I doubt it. I think Vivaldi was still berating himself for reaching an inferior contract, rather than concentrating on the play. Surprising as it may seem, experts are especially prone to such abortive brooding.

The French, favourites to win the title, had a glimmer of a chance when they met Switzerland in the penultimate round. But the glimmer was totally extinguished on this hand.

France v Switzerland. East-West game. Dealer South.



In the closed room Chemla and Perron bid six hearts, which went one down on the lead of the ♣2. It seemed that France would gain a small swing when the bidding from the open room unrolled as follows:

W	N	E	S
Soulet	Doche	Lebel	Bernasconi
3♠	4♡	4♠	1♡
No	6♡	No	5◇
No	No	No	7♡

Doche's six hearts seems adventurous, to put it politely, so Bernasconi can hardly be blamed for bidding the "hopeless" grand slam. Soulet also led a club but unhappily for France he selected the ♣10, which induced Lebel to read him for a doubleton ten. Accordingly at trick one Lebel played low.

No doubt Bernasconi was overjoyed to win the first trick with the ♣J, but even with the help of the diamond finesse there seemed no escape from a diamond loser.

Bernasconi ruffed dummy's spades in his hand and then put East through the wringer by playing dummy's trumps. Poor Lebel, still under the delusion that South had started with ♣A Q J x, elected to discard two diamonds, so Bernasconi was able to finesse the diamond and make 13 tricks.

I suspect it will be some time before Soulet makes another deceptive lead against a grand slam.

Jeremy Flint

Classical records

Exploring dark corners and sudden passions

Verdi: Rigoletto Gruberova/Schicoff/Bruson. St Cecilia Orch/Sinopoli. Philips 412 592-2 (2 CDs), also black disc and cassette
Rossini: Il viaggio a Reims Gasdia/Ricciarelli/Araiza/Ramey/Raimondi.Chamber Orch of Europe/Abbado. Deutsche Grammophon 415 498-1 (three black discs), also CD and cassette
Rossini: Tancredi Horne/Cuberli/Palacio. Fenice Orch/Weikert. CBS Masterworks 13M 39073 (three black discs), also cassette

Giuseppe Sinopoli and Edita Gruberova were planned to work together for the Florence Rigoletto at the Maggio two summers ago. But there was an obstacle in the shape of the Russian director, Yuri Lyubimov. Sinopoli, suspecting Lyubimov's approach to Verdi, got out early on, Gruberova, after much hesitation, faced the first-night audience and received most of the applause going in an evening of noisy booing.

In the recording studios there are no Russian theatre directors and the Sinopoli-Gruberova combination fulfils all its high expectations. At the start there is a worry: the opening dialogue goes at a helter-skelter gabble and all the old Sinopoli criticisms of excessively fast tempi briefly raise their heads. It is only for a moment. Thereafter Sinopoli settles down to relish this opera, with its rhythmic tensions, dark corners and sudden passions. In fact, later in *Rigoletto* his tempi are slower than those of Giulini. It is a splendid piece of conducting.

Gruberova offers a Gilda of considerable charm and assurance: she eschews the fragility favoured by Cotrubas on the Giulini set. The approach entitles her to use "Caro nome" as display aria, which she duly does, and to show herself the determined daughter of a determined father – there are odd echoes of this relationship in the RSC's *Les Misérables*.

Renato Bruson in the title role is similarly more forthright than some of his rivals, declining to fall into self-pity and producing some remarkable legato singing. The surprise, though, especially to British listeners, may well be the quality of Neil Schicoff's Duca. He has rarely been heard at his best in this country, but in Philips' *Rigoletto* he turns in a top-drawer performance, full of both attack and grace.

It is the precision of this set, its attention to both words and rhythms that places it above rival versions. So too does its sound quality. Deutsche Grammophon have recently issued the Giulini *Rigoletto* on CD (415 288-2), but fond though I am of it there is no denying the technical advances made in the last five years.

Deutsche Grammophon's own **Il viaggio a Reims**, due in the shops next week, not only started life in the theatre, but was recorded there at Pesaro, where Rossini's opera was revived after more than a century and a half of slumber. Earlier this autumn it came to La Scala, with an almost indentical cast, and was reviewed on the Arts Page. The plot is negligible but the score is a joy. Rossini withdrew the music, probably because of the impossible casting demands, and re-used much of it in *Le Comte Ory*.

Deutsche Grammophon clearly have no such casting qualms, and have assembled a Rossini roster of irreproachable pedigree. There is Cecilia Gasdia's Corinne with exquisitely limpid singing, Katia Ricciarelli back to form as the *patronne* of the inn (the Giglio d'oro), Samuel Ramey majestic as the English Milord, Ruggero Raimondi revealing a strong streak of humour as Don Profondo (Corinne's admirer) and 10 others who join in the *Gran Pezzo Concertato a 14 voci*.

Claudio Abbado gave notice some time ago that he was the best of contemporary Rossini conductors and the way he handles *Viaggio* indicates that he has no intention of giving up the title.

Marilyn Horne is in regal form in the title role of **Tancredi**, by no means the first recording of Rossini's early *opera seria*, but the opposition is weak. She handles Tancredi's big numbers, the Victorian favourite "Di tanti palpiti" and the death scene, as well on record as she does on stage but some of the recitative is coarsely spoken.

The better all-round performance comes from Lella Cuberli (also in *Viaggio*) as Amenaide, who has a most touching number when she is imprisoned by the boys from Syracuse, where the action is set.

Ralf Weikart conducts with care, as he did at the Aix Festival *Tancredi*, but he is no Abbado. My apologies for naming Denon as the distributor of the Offenbach issues reviewed on this page last month. It should be D Sharp. The label remains Bourg.

John Higgins

REVIEW





Master class: Giuseppe Sinopoli (top); Ruggero Raimondi (bottom left) and Samuel Ramey

Young hands tackle the old masters

Chopin: Waltzes Dmitri Alexeev. EMI EL 27 0289 1 (one black disc; also cassette)
Chopin: Piano solos Andrea Lucchesini. EMI EL 27 0272 1 (one black disc; also cassette)
Liszt: Piano solos Dimitris Sgouros. EMI EL 27 0177 1 (one black disc; also cassette)
Beethoven: Triple Concerto Zacharias Hoelscher Schiff/Leipzig Gewandhaus/Masur. EMI EL 27 0079 1 (one black disc; also cassette).
Brahms: Double Concerto, Op 102. Menuhin/Tortelier. LPO/Bertglund. EMI EG 27 0268 1 (one black disc; also cassette)

EMI has been letting its young lions of the keyboard loose on some very familiar repertoire. With the catalogues stuffed full of Chopin and Liszt recordings it is arguable that they should be applying their formidable techniques to less exposed fare. Still, at least one of these discs – Dmitri Alexeev's recording of the *Chopin waltzes* – compares well with anything currently available.

Alexeev's great virtue is simplicity: he does not indulge excessively in rubato, yet there is a sense of wistfulness in slower waltzes like the posthumous A flat (Op 69, No 1) which derives almost entirely from his silky, cultured touch.

Some may find his approach cool, but the compensation is superb clarity and stunning virtuosity. This is nowhere more evident than in the fleet fingering and exultant climax of the "Minute" Waltz, taken at a speed which must have knocked the odd half-second off the world record.

Similar quality can be found on a new recording of *Chopin's piano solos*. The 20-year-old Italian pianist Andrea Lucchesini is an exciting prospect who already has an admirably flowing style with an artful way of lingering over the barlines in Chopin's sequential passages. That he, too, is prodigiously endowed with technique was evident from his increasingly ferocious delivery of the pulsating left-hand octaves in the middle of the Scherzo No 2. What he lacks at present, however, is a sense of drama and structure.

With Lucchesini one feels that maturity will guide him towards better-balanced interpretations, whereas with the Greek teenager Dimitris Sgouros one wonders whether there is enough basic poetic sensibility to carry him much further than his present manner of playing most things as fast and (usually) as loud as possible.

The evidence is on his recording of *Liszt's piano solos*. Some of the Transcendental Studies do need to be delivered at a furious pace, but in *Feux follets*, for instance, Sgouros's passagework was erratic, even clumsy, and there was no hint of any underlying interpretative ideas, beyond some mechanically imposed rubati. Nor was there much caressing tone or tenderness in calmer studies like *Paysage* or *Harmonies du soir*. One feels rather hard-hearted at criticizing a young man who is, after all, playing music of staggering difficulty, but no one compelled him to record these pieces.

The new *Beethoven Triple Concerto* recording is entirely dependable, with the soloists in excellent form and Masur ensuring that his solid-sounding Leipzig orchestra concentrates on old-fashioned ensemble virtues.

The Rondo finale is a little heavy-handed to begin with, but the middle episodes exude gypsy-like flair, and the ending is superbly characterized by all the protagonists. A well-balanced recording and some sweetly-played Romances as fillers add to this disc's pleasures.

One of the disappointing features of the *Brahms Double Concerto* recording is the unnatural dominance of the soloists, especially since neither the occasionally untuneful Menuhin nor the strangely characterless Tortelier seem on top form.

The reading is generally faithful to the score, but there is really no comparison in emotional impact with the ebullient performance by Perlman and Rostropovich (also EMI).

Richard Morrison

DRINK

Paying the price for liquid gold

"We succeed or we fail", sighed Comte Alexandre de Lur Saluces. "If we fail we don't make Yquem".

Cynics might well dismiss this statement as the usual hyperbole of any proud proprietor of *premier grand cru classé*, but in Yquem's case it happens to be true.

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Within France everyone agrees that Yquem is one of the finest wines that the country produces and certainly the greatest sauternes. While outside France even the Germans – the only other real contenders for the world's sweet wine crown – grudgingly admit that Yquem has few, if any, equals.

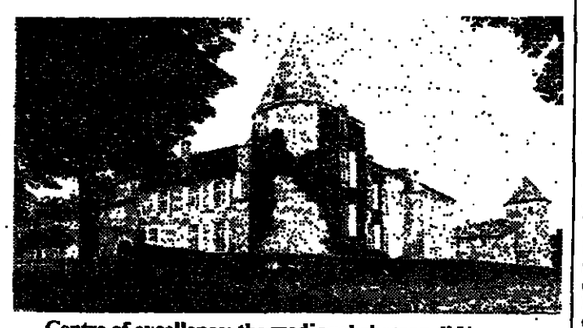
Achieving greatness within the wine world has to do with the art of perfecting each and every detail. In Yquem's case, it also means ruthlessly rejecting any wine that the Comte de Lur Saluces feels unworthy to bear the name. Monsieur le Comte, it seems, is not an easy man to please. In bad sauternes years such as 1964 and 1974 no wine from the property was sold as Yquem while, in reasonable if unexciting vintages such as 1965, only 40 per cent of the crop is likely to be sold as *le grand vin*.

Comte Alexandre regards these exacting measures as a necessary sacrifice to protect Yquem's great name. Other *premier grand cru* properties probably regard it as commercial suicide, especially since Yquem, priced at about £50 a bottle, has no second wine, so the rejected casks are simply sold as AC Sauternes, priced about £3 a bottle.

This £47 loss on every rejected bottle becomes even more poignant if you take into account that, on average, only 5,500 cases of Yquem are produced each year compared to 20,000 of Lafite. This again is a Comte Alexandre sacrifice for at Yquem a mere nine hectolitres a hectare are produced every year when legally the *Sauternais* are allowed 25 hl per ha. Or to put it another way, each vine at Yquem makes just one glass of wine.

Yquem's medieval, turreted, creeper-clad château – part fortress, part farmhouse – sits atop a small hill in the rolling, green, sauternes countryside to the south-east of Bordeaux. Wandering through the cellars at Yquem it is obvious tradition means as much to Monsieur le Comte as perfection and selection. Yquem works today as it has always done, with a crusher and three small wooden presses, followed by fermentation and aging in small oak casks. Other first-growth properties may well have gone over to automation and stainless steel but not Yquem.

Noble rot is the thing that turns the Sémillon and Sauvignon grapes at Yquem into that much-prized, multi-layered mouthful which once tasted is never forgotten. Yquem, made usually from 80 per cent Sémillon to 20 per cent Sauvignon, seems twice as powerful as other sauternes on the palate. Not altogether surprising, given its low yield, but according to Comte Alexandre, Yquem needs at least 10 years aging before deepening to a bright, buttercup-gold and a taste of a rich and honeyed mouthful.



Centre of excellence: the medieval chateau d' Yquem

The year 1976 is a fine example of this style (Lay & Wheeler, 6 Culver Street West, Colchester, Essex £51.75). Given two decades of maturity, however, the wine turns into something much more spectacular still, with its rich, rosy-gold colour as well as a glorious, intense crème brulée flavour, as characterized by the superlative 1967 vintage – "one of Yquem's most remarkable successes", as Comte Alexandre puts it.

Yquem also makes a dry wine known as Ygrec, made from equal parts of the Sauvignon and Sémillon grapes. Curiously it smells just like Yquem on the nose, yet its palate is softer and drier.

In 1785 Louis-Armedée, Comte de Lur Saluces married Josephine Sauvage d'Yquem and, to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the Lur Saluces family ownership, Christie's (8 King Street, St James's, London SW1) are holding a special anniversary auction, next Thursday at 12.30pm. Every memorable vintage from 1889 onwards will be on offer including 100 cases of the fabled 1967 (likely to fetch £166 a bottle. It is a must for every sauternes lover.

Jane MacQuitty

CHESS

Ruthless efficiency in Moscow

Harry Golombek continues the series on former world champions with a look at Vassily Smyslov

History has been somewhat unfair to that great artist of chess, Vassily Smyslov. Between 1954 and 1958, he contested no less than three world championship matches against Mikhail Botvinnik, scoring 18 wins and 34 draws with only 17 losses. Yet Botvinnik won their third "revenge" match, regaining his title after Smyslov had held it for just one year.

Fortunately, Smyslov (born in 1921) has proved himself a supreme example of chess longevity, as was demonstrated by his reaching the Candidates' Final match against Kasparov in 1983. Here is one of his most icily efficient wins from the match which brought him the world crown in 1957.

White: Smyslov. Black: Botvinnik. Pterodactyl Variation.

1	P-K4	P-QB4	2	N-KB3	P-KN3
3	P-B4	B-N2	4	P-Q4	P-Q3
5	N-B3	N-QB3	6	B-K3	B-N5?

A bad move which fails to take into account White's eleventh.

7	PxP	PxP	8	QxQch	RxQ
9	BxP	BxNch			

All part of Black's plan; but it gives White two powerful Bishops in an open position. A rather better way of proceeding was 9 . . . BxN 10PxB B-Q5 11 B-QR3 BxNch 12 PxB N-B3.

10	PxB	N-B3	11	N-Q4!	

Black must have overlooked this fine move. If White protects his KP by 11 N-Q2, then 11 . . . RxN 12 P-B3 (or 12 KxR NxPch) 12 . . . R-Q2 13 PxB NxKP with great advantage to Black.

11	. . .	NxP	12	NxN	PxN
13	BxRP	B-B4	14	P-B3	N-Q3
15	P-QR4	B-R1	16	B-N5	O-O
17	P-B5	N-B1	18	P-N4	B-K3
19	P-R5				

As will be seen, Black now regains his pawn, but his position remains just as bad.

19	. . .	NxB	20	BPxN	KR-N1
21	B-Q3	RxRP	22	PxR	RxRch
23	K-Q2	R-R7ch	24	K-K3	B-B1
25	R-Q1	R-QN7	26	B-B4	K-N2
27	R-Q8	B-K3			

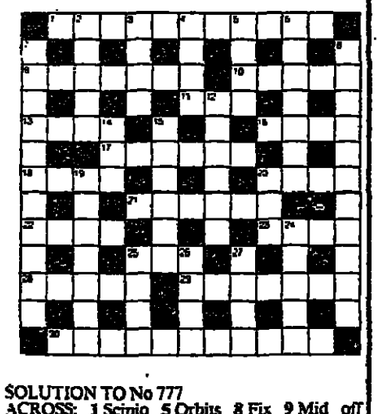
Botvinnik does his best with such poor weapons as he has left. Even worse is the ending after 27 . . . B-N2 28 R-Q7 R/NP 29 RxP followed by R/Pch.

28	BxB	PxB	29	R-N8	P-K4
30	P-QB4	K-B2	31	P-B5	K-K2
32	R-Q8	P-N4	33	P-R3	B-N8
34	K-Q2	R-N4	35	K-Q3	R-N8
36	K-B4	R-B8ch	37	K-N4	R-R8ch
38	K-R4	R-R8ch	39	K-N4	R-R8ch
40	K-R3	R-R8ch	41	K-N2	R-R4
42	R-Q3	R-R1	43	K-N3	R-N4

The sealed move, but Botvinnik resigned next day without resuming play. White plays 44 K-N4 R-R1 45 R-R3 when there are two possibilities: first, 45 . . . RxR 46 KxR K-Q2 47 K-N5 K-B1 48 K-B3 P-K5 49 P-B5 PxP 50 P-R4 and the Black King cannot stop the two distant passed pawns, whereas the White King can deal comfortably with Black's mass of united pawns. Or second, 45 . . . R-Q1 46 R-R7 R-Q5ch 47 K-R5 R-QB5 48 P-N7 RxPch 49 K-R6 R-N4ch 50 KxP etc. How much depends on accurate opening play is a lesson well rubbed in by this game Botvinnik may be said to have lost the point by the sixth move!

CONCISE CROSSWORD (No 778)

Prizes of the New Collins Thesaurus will be given for the first two correct solutions opened on Thursday, October 24, 1985. Entries should be addressed to The Times Concise Crossword Competition, 12 Coley Street, London WC9 9YT. The winners and solution will be announced on Saturday, October 26, 1985.



ACROSS
1 Close call (6,5)
9 5th Roman month (7)
10 Squander (5)
11 None (3)
13 All (4)
16 Breeding stable (4)
17 Kidnap (8)
18 Hurt (4)
20 Journey (4)
21 Muslim era (6)
22 Egyptian descendant (4)
23 South of France (4)
25 Pounds (3)
28 Maltreat (5)
29 Burnt sugar (7)
30 Maintain supply (4,2,5)

DOWN
2 Loft room (5)
3 Dress (4)
4 Used (4)
5 Cry (4)
6 Caller (7)
7 Coloured Bible cape (7,4)
8 N Somerset range (6,5)
12 Naples Bay island (6)
14 Amateur radio (3)
15 Modifying word (6)
19 Bliss (7)
20 Scots beret (3)
24 Smyrna (5)
25 Jump (4)
26 Look over (4)
27 Legal notice (4)

SOLUTION TO No 777
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The winners of prize concise-No 772 are: Mrs Geraldine Dunlop, Droridge, Dartington, Devon, and Mrs J Pentelow, St Agnes Road Moseley, Birmingham

SOLUTION TO No 772 (last Saturday's prize concise)
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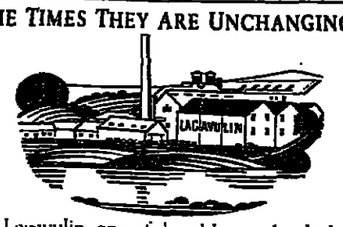
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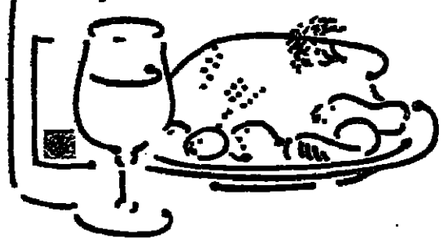
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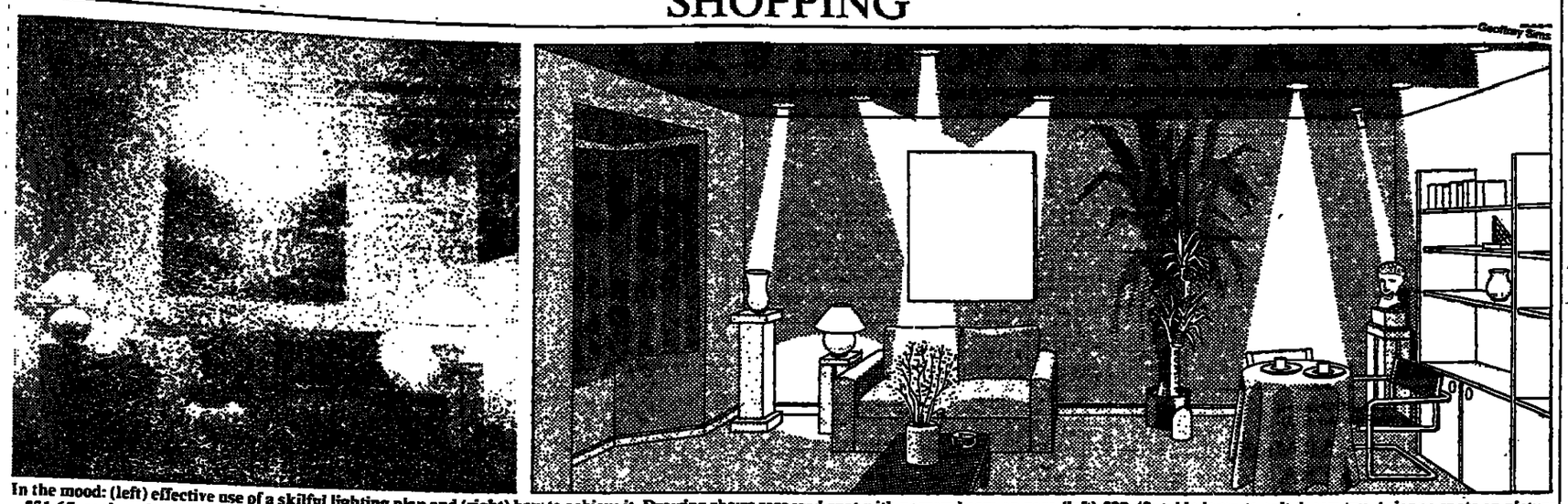


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SHOPPING



In the mood: (left) effective use of a skilful lighting plan and (right) how to achieve it. Drawing shows recessed spot with narrow beam on vase (left) £22.49; table lamp to suit decor; two Arianne spots on picture £51.65 each; mini downlighter over coffee table £24.25; Highlight uplighter under plant £65; med ium beam over dining table; baby spot over bust £59.25; Echo wallwashers playing on bookcase £67.59.

Time to see the light

Beryl Downing explains how to bring new life to a room with clever illuminations

The clocks go back next week and, in the darkened afternoons, romantics will think of firelight and toasted shins for tea and realists of buying an Anglepoise lamp to avoid straining their eyes.

A designer who believes that using light imaginatively can produce a perfect blend of atmosphere and practicality is John Cullen, who has just introduced a range of fittings which will produce special effects for every occasion.

Cullen has shelf lights to illuminate a collection of Sèvres, spots to dramatize a prize plant, angled beams to wash walls with a diffused glow, and dimming ceiling studs which make eating in the kitchen seem like dining under a tropical sky.

"There is a simple basic philosophy behind all schemes", he says. "You must have some form of general lighting, some form of task lighting and some form of accent or magic lighting. As long as the light source is discreet it will bring life to any room."

It is a small but versatile collection of 18 fittings, a distillation of the professional range Cullen has supplied to architects and interior designers since 1982. Last year he moved the professional consultancy to Battersea and has now reopened his showroom in Chelsea as a unique retail shop.

All the windows on the corner site can be blacked out by electrically-controlled blinds and a panel of switches will turn on, off and dim a variety of ceiling, wall, standard, table and spot lights to demonstrate the many permutations.

There are two settings – a dining and a living area with a hallway between – and two groups of products, The Designer Collection and the Basics Range. The former includes two of John Cullen's own designs, the Highlight and the Ministarlight, both low-voltage fittings which work on transformers, not only using less energy but allowing more control over the quality of light produced.

The Highlight is an uplighter with an integral transformer in a sleek grey or cream casing. The basic unit costs £65 and will take any of three bulbs with different widths of beam.

The narrow beam is used to light a vase, or any object about a foot square, from the floor; a medium beam would illuminate a picture about 4ft by 3ft, and a wide one would light a tapestry or, placed under a plant, create deep dramatic shadows.

The Ministarlights are equally versatile. Each (£19.95) has a tiny 20w bulb and needs to be recessed in the ceiling. Ten will be required for an average kitchen or bathroom, all working off one hidden transformer. Their light can be white and crisp at full power and soft and glowing when dimmed.

In the Basics Range there are larger recessed downlighters that work off mains or transformers and various spotlights to mount on wall or ceiling and to angle towards specific objects or to wash walls or pictures. It all sounds very high tech but the fittings are as acceptable in a traditional as in a modern setting, for they have been designed to create an effect rather than to impose their own shape on a decor.

"By all means choose period table lamps", says John Cullen, "but add a couple of uplighters to illuminate a tapestry or a picture. It brings in a second layer of light."

One visit to the showroom and a demonstration of the possibilities may give enough ideas for the more confident interior designer to know just what to place where. If you feel you need more guidance, expert staff are available by appointment to visit your house and offer ideas for lighting schemes. This advisory service costs £40.25 an hour.

Those who live too far from London to take advantage of this will be glad to know that the Chelsea showroom is a prototype for future shops and that the same fittings will also shortly be available through other specialist shops. In addition, next spring John Cullen's *The Lighting Handbook* will be published.

More advice on accent lighting is available at Harvey Nichols in Knightsbridge. This week they opened their Light Style studio in conjunction with the Lighting Workshop of Covent Garden.

The technical innovation of the Lighting Workshop is there, but the look is softer, less aggressively modern. Customers are invited to play with a control panel of switches to see the effects of various lights.

On-site visits can be arranged within the Central London area and the consultant Julia Richardson will draw up plans to show suitable schemes – the fee will be about £100. For an extra charge she will also supervise the installation.

"It is easy to sell a beautiful lamp base and shade", says Claire Garabedian, buying controller of Harvey Nichols, "but lighting has become so technical that people don't know where to start to get the special effects they want, so we are trying to offer them a complete service."

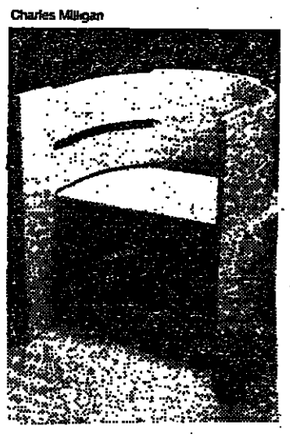
If you live too far from London the John Lewis group have a range of downlighters to fix in the ceiling from £12.50 in white to £19.50 in brass.

They also have halogen minispots at £24 and uplighters in brushed aluminium or brass at £12. Not beautiful and not with a range of beams, but the price is not excessive for an experiment that could make your surroundings look as if they had been created not only with a light, but an enlightened touch.

John Cullen Lighting Workshop is at 1 Woodfall Court, Smith Street, London SW3 (01-730 8585).

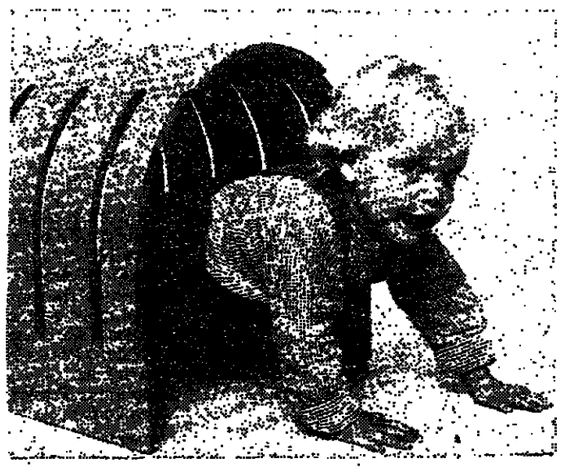
Choice chair for the children

Charles Milligan



DESIGN FILE

When is a chair not a chair? When it's a tunnel, a desk, a rocker. My pick of the Chelsea Crafts Fair is Sarah Stallard's clever nursery chair with a seat that slots in at different levels as the child grows. Without the seat it becomes a tunnel or, upside down, a fun rocker. Two chairs together form a desk set. In beech, £93 from Pointers, stand 17 at the fair, Chelsea Old Town Hall, King's Road, London SW3, 10am-6pm today, Monday and Tuesday. Or enquiries to Stallard & Walker, 24 Gloucester Crescent, London NW1 (01-485 4340).





EATING OUT

Booking the cooks for Christmas

Stan Hey reports on the best that London has to offer for a festive feast

The time is early October, the place, London's Tottenham Court Road, the weather, warm and sunny. I pop into a well-known stationery store to buy a couple of photo frames, but run slap-bang into a wall of tinsel and baubles, and a sign declaring "Christmas Supermarket". "Hang on a minute", I think, "Le Beaujolais Nouveau hasn't even arrived yet."

But in the catering world this pre-Christmas period is boom time. Gordon Damzen, director of the invaluable Restaurant Switchboard Information Service (01-444 7211), says that he and his staff are already fielding up to 40 group bookings a day for the Christmas period.

In the run-up to Christmas the plum site is **The London Hilton**, which is opening up its banqueting suite in the Grand Ballroom to host a giant Office Party on Friday December 20. Small firms or office departments can book as many tables as they wish, with £20.50 covering a four-course lunch (pâté, Scotch broth, turkey, Christmas pudding and mince pies), party novelties (silly hats etc) and a live band for dancing. Something on this scale could well make Sodom and Gomorrah look like Bournemouth and Boscombe. Reservations to the Banquet Office on 01-493 9751.

On a more intimate scale, **The Island Queen Restaurant** and **Frith's** are both offering Christmas lunches and dinners during December. A characterful pub, The Island Queen has only recently reopened its cosy restaurant (real fires), and four-course lunches and dinners at £13.50 are offered to parties of six or more.

Frith's, in the now-fashionable-again Soho, can expect quite a gathering for chef Carla Tomasi's imaginative December menus, at £18 for lunch or dinner. It is also staying open for lunch on Christmas Day.

For those with particular ideas of what they'd like to eat, a gastronomic present to oneself may be available at the smart, 1930s-style **The Restaurant** in the Dolphin Square complex. It is inviting customers to create their own menus throughout December.

For a distinct break with tradition, Amin Ali's three Indian restaurants, **The Red Fort, Lal Qila** and **The Moghul Brasserie**, are offering delightful Christmas menus from November 15 priced between £10.95 and £13.95.

Other tips around town for the pre-Christmas lunch include the large and light **Café Pelican** in St Martin's Lane (three-course menu at £10.95, two more at £14 and £20) and the plush **La Ruelle** in Kensington (four-course lunch from December 9 at £20).

For Christmas Day itself, reasonably modest deals can generally be found at the smaller London hotels. Try **The Stafford** in St James's where manager Terry Holmes is the *Caterer & Hotelkeeper*'s "Hotelier of the Year", and where a low-key traditional lunch is offered, "as well as the usual à la carte", they say, as if it were a day like any other.

Most of the catering burden then, however, falls upon the larger hotels, most of whom offer attractive packages of meals, entertainment and even accommodation. If it survives the Giant Office Party, The Hilton's **Roof Restaurant** has its spectacular view and a family lunch at £39 for adults, £20 for under-12s. Their **British Harvest Restaurant**, which has no view at all, should nevertheless offer plenty to look at with a patriotic lunch (£27) of sea-bass, oysters, game soup, turkey and malt whisky syllabub.

A little further up the luxury ladder **The Ritz** offers a champagne reception in the elegant Palm Court, and a three-course lunch for £48.75. There's even a dinner that evening with, it says tactfully, "quiet musical accompaniment".

But for total indulgence, I would imagine the Christmas Day menu at The Grosvenor House's **Ninety Park Lane** restaurant would be hard to beat. Eight courses will include fresh goose liver rolled in truffle dust, fillets of Dover sole with a lobster mousse and a champagne sauce, turkey or venison and Christmas pudding. Now swallow hard: that will set you back £75 a head.

Next: Outside London

FOOD NOTES

The London Hilton, Park Lane, London W1 (01-493 8000). **The Island Queen Restaurant**, 87 Noel Road, London N1 (01-226 0307). **Frith's**, 14 Frith Street, London W1 (01-439 3370). **The Restaurant**, Dolphin Square, Chichester Street, London SW1 (01-828 3207). **The Red Fort**, 77 Dean Street, London W1 (01-437 2525). **Lal Qila**, 117 Tottenham Court Road, London W1 (01-387 4570). **Moghul Brasserie**, 525 High Road, Wembley, Middlesex (01-903 6967). **Café Pelican**, 45 St Martin's Lane, London WC2 (01-379 0309). **La Ruelle**, 14 Wright's Lane, London W8 (01-937 8525). **Ninety Park Lane**, Grosvenor House, Park Lane, London W1 (01-499 6363). **The Ritz**, Piccadilly, London W1 (01-493 8181). **The Stafford Hotel**, St James's Place, London SW1 (01-493 0111).

IN THE GARDEN

QUESTION TIME

Can you suggest a successful method of controlling cats in the garden? I live in a built-up area and they are a real menace.

There is no 100 per cent cure for cats. There are chemical deterrents, the best, in my opinion, being the Garotta product Scoot but even this is not foolproof. It is the strength of the chemical which counts and heavy dew or rain will affect its effectiveness. It is vital to spray a wide band round the garden and in particular the areas where cats enter. Spraying must be repeated at intervals depending on conditions.

Another product worth trying is Pepper Dust, sold by PBI, but again it is affected by rain or dew. The last resort is to try wetting cats once they are in the garden. Turning a hosepipe or nearby sprinkler on them is effective immediately as they do not like their fur wet.

We have recently moved to a town house in Oxford with a tiny garden, 6m by 7m. How can we make the best use of the space? In the past we have always had a large garden.

The principles of gardening are exactly the same for big or small gardens. You must prepare well and select the right site for the plants. A few books to look for are *Planning a Town Garden* by Jacquey Visick (Design Centre), *Beautiful Backyards* by Roddy Llewellyn from Ward Lock, and *The Contained Garden* by Beckett Carr and Stevens, published by Sphere Books. Small plants for small areas are suggested in these books.

Potted version of an inside story

With the summer garden losing its floral sparkle, and with it the ready supply of cut blooms, it is now the turn of the houseplants to keep colour alive.

Plants which are growing and preparing to bloom later this year or early next year need regular feeding while green plants, which are entering a much slower period of growth, do not. In fact feeding can be detrimental. When feeding, the soil must never be allowed to dry, and plants such as cyclamen, primulas, azaleas and poinsettias must be kept warm and watered regularly.

Plants making vigorous growth should be transferred to larger pots to encourage them to produce their best at flowering time. In almost all situations I recommend the use of soilless composts. The one exception is the azalea which needs a stronger and a heavier soil mixed specially using the John Innes Formula. It must be used within eight weeks of mixing.

Cyclamen
Early plants will already be in five-inch pots. Early flowers should be removed and the plants kept moist and fed. Later sowings will have plants ready for five-inch pots and should be potted on without delay, keeping them in a warm house for flowering in January or February.

Old corms can be started now. Re-pot into a five or six-inch pot using Levington Compost. Water thoroughly and then place in a warm room or greenhouse. After six weeks, weekly feeding with phostrogen is a must.

Poinsettias
Plants should be in their final pots. Regular watering and feeding is essential to ensure they are well branched and sturdy with the bracts beginning to show in the tips of the branches. Do not allow the pots to dry out and the compost must be kept uniformly moist with overhead sprayings.

Azaleas
These should also be in their final pots and fed and watered regularly. Azaleas are difficult to water correctly but the best way is to plunge the pots into a bucket of water.

Primula
It is difficult to get primulas to flower earlier than January but they have so much to offer they are always worth the wait. They should either be in their final pots or about ready to go into them. Feeding and watering must continue until the plants are well into their flowering cycle.

Green plants
These need much less attention now and must not be repotted.

As the light and outdoor temperature decrease the plants slow down, despite being indoors where it is warm. Night temperatures are much lower and send the plants into a semi dormancy.

In the winter they require much less water and the root ball has to be allowed to become much drier. Lightly prick over the surface of the pot to break the soil's surface compaction and allow the pot to breathe. Feeding must not be carried out when plants are ticking over; save this for the burst of life which will come in the spring.

Remove dead or dying leaves. Dead shoots, branches or tips of branches should be cut out with a sharp pair of secateurs.

Ashley Stephenson

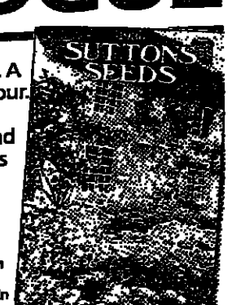
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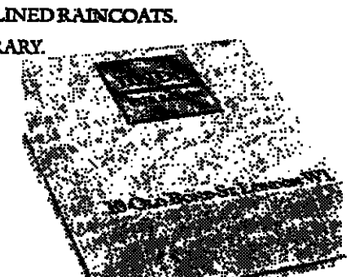
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Friday October 25 7.45pm — HALLE ORCHESTRA. Stanislaw Skrowaczewski (conductor) Lynn Harrell (cello) Beethoven: Overture 'Coriolan' Haydn: Cello Concerto in D Bruckner: Symphony No 3 in D minor £10, £8, £6, £5.50, £4 *Sponsored by Standard Chartered Bank.*

Saturday October 26 7.45pm — LONDON SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA. Claudio Abbado (conductor) Rudolph Serkin (piano) Beethoven: Overture 'Leonore No 3' Mozart: Piano Concerto No 24 in C minor K491 Beethoven: Symphony No 5 in C minor, Op 67 *Returns only. In aid of the Beethoven Fund for Deaf Children*

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Wednesday October 30 7.45pm — DAVE BRUBECK QUARTET. Presented by Derek Block £8.50, £7, £5

Thursday October 31 7.45pm — AUTUMN LOVE CLASSICS. London Concert Orchestra. Christopher Adey (conductor) Craig Sheppard (pianist) Prog inc Bizet: Carmen Suite Mozart: Piano Concerto K467 Tchaikovsky: Romeo and Juliet Ravel: Bolero A rose for each lady member of the audience £9.50, £8.50, £7.50, £6, £5, £4 *Raymond Gubbay Ltd*

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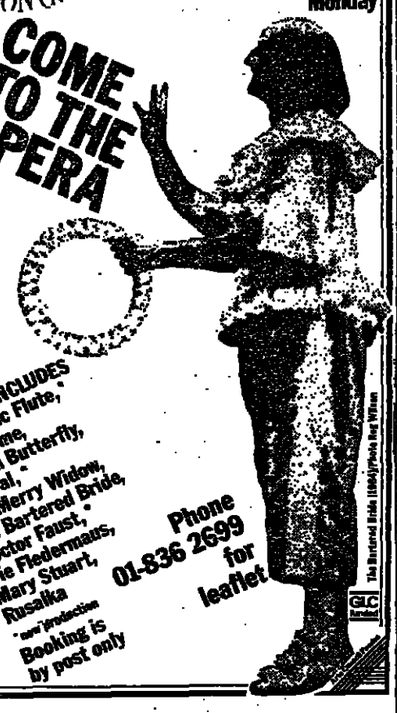
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THE WEEK AHEAD

Making room for realism

FILMS ON TV

For a film that is supposed to have changed the face of the *British cinema*, ***Room at the Top*** (Channel 4, tomorrow, 10.15pm-12.25am) enjoys a curiously low reputation. What price now the gritty northern realism, the uninhibited treatment of sex, the torpedoing of a decade of complacent war films and vapid comedies?

The present standing of *Room at the Top* may be gauged from a British Film Year poll of critics who were asked to name their 10 best British movies. There were votes galore for *The Third Man* and *Kind Hearts and Coronets* and for almost anything by Michael Powell. *Room at the Top* was not mentioned.

Then the other day Simone Signoret died and thoughts naturally turned to the performances by which British audiences best knew her. *Room at the Top* is being shown next week in her memory.

We have to explain the paradox of one of the most British of films with a French actress at its heart. To do so requires putting *Room at the Top* into its contemporary context, for whatever the judgment of hindsight, it was a remarkable film to be making in Britain in the late 1950s.

In a cinema apparently determined to ignore life outside the Home Counties (where the main film studios were located) here was something fresh: a story of cynicism and ambition, set in the industrial *West Riding and touching raw* nerves of sex and class.

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THE WEEK AHEAD



CONCERTS

AT THE KEYS: Krystian Zimerman, virtuoso of the piano, is the soloist in Brahms's Concerto No 2 with the Philharmonia Orchestra. Another great pianist, Vladimir Ashkenazy, takes the baton, adding Beethoven's elusive Symphony No 4. Royal Festival Hall (01-928 3131). Thursday, 7.30pm.



THEATRE

DUAL ROLE: Penelope Keith is the star and co-producer of *The Dragon's Tail*, a new comedy by Douglas Watkinson about four people on holiday in Wales. The others are played by Mark Kingston, Amanda Root and Robert Hines and the director is Michael Rudman. Apollo Theatre (01-437 2663) from Monday.



GALLERIES

LOW HUMOUR: Sir David Low (1891-1963), the finest political cartoonist of his era, scourge of Hitler and creator of Colonel Blimp, is the subject of two exhibitions. National Portrait Gallery, London WC2 (01-930 1552). From Fri. Langton Gallery, 3 Langton Street, London SW10 (01-352 9150). From Tues.



JAZZ

ROCKING ON: Wayne Shorter, saxophonist and composer, best known for his work with Miles Davis and Weather Report, makes his first British debut as a leader with a band including singer Rachel Barnes and the rhythm section from the Yellowjackets. Logan Hall, 20 Bedford Way, London WC1 (01-387 9629), Thurs.



BOOKS

FINE FIGURES: Marina Warner draws on mythology, epic poetry and popular culture in *Monuments and Maidens* (Weidenfeld £18.95), a controversial exploration into how, since Greek times, the female form has personified a wide range of ideas – from the Statue of Liberty to the figure of justice at the Old Bailey.



FILMS

BLACK JACK: Jack Nicholson and Kathleen Turner star as hired killers in *Prizzi's Honour* (18), marking a return by veteran director John Huston to the sly comedy and thrills of his first film, *The Maltese Falcon*. From a novel by Richard Condon. Odeon Haymarket (01-930 2771) from Friday.

Loosening the knots of the old school ties

William Boyd talks to Nicholas Shakespeare about the experiences of his youth that form the background to his two new plays

Suresh Karadia



In a class of his own: William Boyd, getting under the skin of a hothouse society

In his preface to *School Ties* – two plays about life at boarding school – William Boyd tells how boys who were moving up to Gordonstoun from its preparatory school were given a talk by the headmaster. It was known as PD – after the pan drops he dished out to prevent undue arousal – and it began with the innocent words "Have you a sister?" If the answer was negative he would continue gamely with "Have you ever observed farmyard animals?" At the end there was a period for questions in which, after scouring the dictionaries for sexual arcana, boys would pose such queries as "Please, sir, what is tertiary syphilis?"

William Boyd sits fingering the open collar of his Brooks Brothers shirt and laughs softly at the memory. Shirts are the only vanity of a man who, at 33, resembles an understanding prefect more than a successful novelist. But the cherubic expression and the quiet voice belie a mordant wit.

Boyd, who overlapped at Gordonstoun with Prince Charles, remembers the obsession with sex as "male lust at its most contemptuous and doglike". Cheeks were pressed to the lino in an effort to squint at the matron's legs. Bravura was so massive that, when one poor boy actually admitted he had not lost his virginity, the dormitory rang for weeks with the teasing cries of "virgin, virgin". Boyd's blue eyes widen suggestively: "You'd think everyone was a satyr."

There were other deprivations besides the lack of girls. Parents and home for instance. "At least at day school you returned to an environment where you were treated as a normal human being." Gordonstoun was 24 hours of baths opaque with dirty water, of plastic lampshades and exposure to marauding cliques of bullies. "It was like being a prisoner", he says, bringing to mind Evelyn Waugh's dictum that anyone who has been to an English public school will always feel comparatively at home in prison.

Not that Boyd felt this at the time. Brought up in Ghana and Nigeria, he was first dispatched to the Scottish baronial school at the age of nine. "It would be much easier for me to say I rebelled, but in a banal way I had a successful career" – becoming head of house and captain of hockey (his first published work being the hockey reports).

"I didn't chafe or fret. Only when I left did I start looking back and realize how bizarre it all was." His realizations have resulted in *Good and Bad at Games*, a play transmitted two years ago on Channel 4, and *Dutch Girls*, which will be shown on ITV next month. Both are very funny portraits of hothouse societies, but both rap sharply on the bone in showing a tense, traumatizing underworld.

"My American editor was astonished when she read them. She said 'Oh my God' and looked at me as if I was some kind of survivor. There is something astonishing in the way the British middle classes pack their kids off like this. The French perception of the English character as infantile has something to do with it – the French only send Roman Catholics or totally uncontrollable idiots to boarding school.

"It has a very strong grip – like the Royal Family or the House of Lords, certain things which are part of the fabric of a nation's perception of itself. Whether it's a good or bad thing doesn't come into it", he adds, "but you'll never get rid of it."

Ninety-five per cent of people do not go to public school, but Boyd strongly believes the roots of whatever it means to be British lie in this educational system. The public perception of such places, however, is "utterly distorted" through novels and television programmes which make them out to be either the cruel compounds of *Tom Brown's Schooldays* and *The Loom of Youth*, or pleasant institutions with Gothic arches, school songs and chapel. Boyd argues that his plays are not so much a polemical attack as an attempt to show what life in this world is really like.

How such experiences can affect one's adult years is explored in *Good and Bad at Games*. It was inspired by speculation on what might have happened to "a sallow weak boy called Gibbon" who was hated by everyone, Boyd included. "Looking back, he must have had one of the most miserable existences of anyone I've ever encountered."

Dutch Girls deals more with the theme of sexual obsession and follows the gauche, embarrassing adventures of a hockey team unleashed for a few days in Holland. In 1969 Boyd had embarked on a similar trip. "We were practising on the first day and half a dozen Dutch girls came up to the touch-line and said, 'Hello, English boys, would you like to go to the disco tonight?' A lot of the so-called studs couldn't handle it. They just sat in the disco moaning and bitching."

The two parts of *School Ties* succeed cannily in vivisecting the British character – as well as evoking, with grim shudders for anyone who has experienced them, the spot-popping days of public school. Perhaps more so than his African novels *A Good Man in Africa* and *An Ice-cream War*, both written when he was a lecturer at Oxford), they also draw from that important period in a writer's life – "the years before you start thinking of yourself as a writer. It was a period of pre-self-consciousness, of pristine memories, of emotions untarnished by the dreadful third eye of you the writer. As soon as you start to think of yourself as this you lose a certain guilelessness. Everything after becomes grist to your mill."

The screenplays making up *School Ties* were commissioned in 1982, since when Boyd has developed a taste for scriptwriting. Apart from his own novel, *Stars and Bars*, he has also adapted Evelyn Waugh's *Scoop*.

Now happily married and living in an end-of-terrace Fulham house, William Boyd seems unscathed by his schooldays.

Nevertheless, he has kept his old school ties: the house tie with its spiders after Robert the Bruce, and the purple and white silk of the colour-bearers – the democratically elected prefects. "And if you were elected", he says, "you were elected for life." In spite of his open-neck shirt, there is a fragment of pride in his voice.

School Ties will be published on Thursday by Hamish Hamilton (hardback, £8.95) and Penguin (paperback, £3.95).

ARTS DIARY

David and the divas

Not content with success in theatre, television and films, left-wing playwright David Hare is now writing an opera. After *Pravda* at the National, *Licking Hitler* and *Dreams of Leaving* on the television and the award-winning film *Wetherby* comes *The Knife*. It is being co-written with Nick Bicat, a long-standing collaborator and the man who put a musical fight – between an Irish folk band and an English chamber orchestra – on the soundtrack of *The Irish RM*. Their opera, I'm told, will be "entirely contemporary, sung throughout, non-political and centrally concerned with sexuality". The creators hope that the premiere will be at Joe Papp's People's Theatre in New York.

All's Welles . . .

An unusual tribute to Orson Welles: the late movie mogul's little-known play, *Moby Dick Rehearsed*, is being performed at the Dundee Repertory Theatre from November 14-30. Director Alan Lyddiard wants the Ahab part to be based on Welles himself. "He was both Ahab and Ishmael in his life. "The difference was that he caught his white whale right at the start, and spent the rest of his life looking for another one."

● **"An affront to decency", "a minestrone of clichés", "hideous paddling in the gutters of . . . sexual frustration and fantasies", "lunatic-left propaganda" – what on earth can have provoked such abuse from reviewers in the provinces? It's an exhibition of 150 works by 32 feminist artists, on the theme of Pandora's Box – the "misogynist myth", as the catalogue describes it, about the woman who released all the evils upon the world. It arrives in London next week. One exhibit, featuring two doors labelled DO NOT OPEN, has apparently proved irresistible to northern Pandoras.**

Exit, nought left

Anthony Sher and John Mortimer were among the thespian throng that turned up on Wednesday at Nine, Fitzroy Square, to support the launch of the British Theatre Association's Covenant Appeal. Underfunded for years, this repository of books, manuscripts, reviews, pictures and memorabilia about the theatre



Mortimer and Sher

world has just lost its modest £10,000-a-year grant from the Department of Education and Science. It will lose a further £8,500 when the GLC closes down in April.

Write on, sister

The Society of Authors has received an unusual request from a member. Ms Fiona Pitt-Kethley, author of three collections of poems, was incensed that after six years of trying she had never won one of the Gregory Awards, given to deserving talent under the age of 30. She noted that very few women had been so honoured, and that last year four of the five judges were men. Having now reached the age limit, she decided to hit back by taking the society (which administers the prize) to the Industrial Tribunal, charged with sex discrimination. Where should she ask advice? There's only one organization that exists to help writers in such a predicament – the society itself. "She was asking us how she could most effectively sue us", says director Mark Le Fanu wearily. "We suggested she try the Citizens' Advice Bureau."

THE TIMES CHOICE

THEATRE

IN PREVIEW

CAMILLE: Pam Gems's version of the Dumas story of the consumptive courtesan, in the RSC production seen last season at Stratford-upon-Avon.
Comedy (01-930 2578/839 1438). Previews Wed-Fri, Oct 26, 28. Opens Oct 29.

LENNON: Bob Eaton's celebration of the life and music of John Lennon.
Astoria, Charing Cross Road, W1 (01-734 4287). Previews from Thurs. Opens Nov 2.

THE SLOANE RANGER REVUE: Ned Sherrin and Neil Shand have devised this show from the *Harpers & Queen* Official Sloane Ranger Books by Ann Barr and Peter York. Sherrin directs.
Duchess Theatre (01-836 8243). Previews from Fri. Opens Nov 12.

OPENINGS

DOWNCHILD: Third of the new Howard Barker plays being presented by the RSC in its smaller London auditorium, this one involves a former Prime Minister and his female adviser.
The Pit (01-628 8795/638 8891). Previews Mon, Tues. Opens Wed. In repertory.

THE GRACE OF MARY TRAVERSE: In Timberlake Wertenbaker's play, a young woman (Janet McTeer) sets out to lose her innocence in 18th-century London. Danny Boyle directs, with Pam Ferris, Tom Chadbon, Jonathan Phillips, Hugh Fraser.
Royal Court (01-730 1745). Previews today, Mon. Opens Tues.

IMPROVISATION: Actor Aid present a 12-hour non-stop event of improvised theatre to benefit the Band Aid Trust. Michael Palin, Jonathan Pryce, Terry Gilliam and many more.
Donmar Warehouse (01-379 6565). Tomorrow only, midday-midnight.

SELECTED

THE ALCHEMIST: A vivid production of Jonson's comic masterpiece.
Lyric, Hammersmith, London W8 (01-741 2311). Until Oct 26.

MRS WARREN'S PROFESSION: Joan Plowright as the warm-hearted madam and Jessica Turner as her rebellious daughter lead in Anthony Page's production.
Lyttelton (01-928 2252). In repertory.

THE SEAGULL: Vanessa Redgrave and Natasha Richardson join forces in a much-improved transfer.
Queens (01-734 1166).

TORCH SONG TRILOGY: Harvey Fierstein's Broadway hit provides a showcase for Antony Sher as the plucky drag queen.
Albery (01-836 3878).

OUT OF TOWN

FARNHAM: Uncle Vanya: A new version of Chekhov by Pam Gems, with David Savile, Nicolas Chagrin, Holly Wilson, Heather Ramsay, Gerald Flood, directed by Ellis Jones.
Redgrave Theatre (0252 715301). Opens Tues.

LEICESTER: Macbeth: Julie Walters and Bernard Hill lead in a new production directed and designed by Nancy Meckler and the People Show.
Haymarket (0533 539797). Opens Thurs.

MANCHESTER: Death of a Salesman: Trevor Peacock as Willy Loman in the Pulitzer Prize-winning drama by Arthur Miller. Directed by Gregory Hersov.
Royal Exchange (061 833 9833). Opens Thurs.

FILMS

OPENINGS

LES DIABOLIQUES (18): The late Simone Signoret scored one of her biggest successes in 1954 as one of the lady murderers in Henri-Georges Clouzot's celebrated thriller, now re-released in a new print, accompanied by Cocteau's short *Le Sang d'un Poète* (see also Films on TV, page 37).
Scala Cinema (01-278 8052). From Fri for two weeks.



CATHOLIC BOYS (15): Teenage hanky-panky in a Brooklyn Catholic school during the 1960s. Better than most essays in the genre, with bright young performers (Andrew McCarthy and Mary Stuart Masterson pictured together above, Kevin Dillon, Malcolm Danare). Directed by newcomer Michael Dinner.
Cinecenta Panton Street (01-930 0631), Classic Tottenham Court Road (01-636 6148). From Fri.

SELECTED

HAIL MARY (18): Jean-Luc Godard's controversial treatment of the biblical story of Mary and Joseph; a great film-maker can still be seen lurking beneath the pretensions and silliness.
Metro, Piccadilly Circus (01-437 0757).

COP AU VIN (15): Claude Chabrol's latest tale of small-town kinks and murder; a routine plot is given lustre by the exuberant cast (Stéphane Audran, Jean Poiret, Michel Bouquet).
Screen on the Hill (01-435 3366).

THE ANGELIC CONVERSATION (15): Derek Jarman's melancholy and provocative reverie about sexual desire, with dreamlike images matched to the words of Shakespeare's sonnets.
Everyman (01-435 1525).

PALE RIDER (15): Clint Eastwood's handsome Western about a stranger helping poor gold prospectors fight off big business.
Warner West End (01-439 0791).

GALLERIES

OPENINGS

THE ARTIST'S EYE: Line-up of Francis Bacon's favourite paintings. The somewhat top-of-the-pops atmosphere, is alleviated by his inclusion of Velazquez's "Pope Innocent X" on which he based his "Screaming Popes".
National Gallery, Trafalgar Square, London WC2 (01-839 3321). From Wed.

ADRIAN GEORGE IN ARCADIA: Large pastels with dreamy, sensual themes such as odalisques in steam baths and gods making visitations on nymphs.
Frances Kyle Gallery, 9 Maddox Street, London W1 (01-499 6870). From Tue.

SELECTED

GERMAN ART IN THE 20TH CENTURY: Bold attempt to prove the merits of German art over recent decades, from the revolutionary abstract colour harmonies of Kandinsky, through the fierce figurative anti-Nazi cynicism of George Grosz (who painted tarts and soldiers disporting in bars), to the giant, arrogant paintings of human beings hanging like bats, by today's art superstars like Baselitz.
Royal Academy, Piccadilly (01-734 9052).

PLIGHT: Mind-bending installation comprising felt-padded walls, a grand piano, a blackboard and a thermometer, by the German artist Joseph Beuys, who also appears in prime space at the Royal Academy.
Anthony D'Offay Gallery, Dering Street, London W1 (01-499 4100).

DANCE

ROYAL BALLET: *The Sleeping Beauty* (Tues) features the company's three young graces: Fiona Chadwick as Aurora, Ravenna Tucker as Florine and Bryony Brind as the Lilac Fairy. All the stars are out (Wed, Thurs) for a programme of *divertissements* including Merle Park in a new Ashton solo, Fernando Bujones in *Friday's Child* and *The Corsair*, Sibley and Dowell in "Meditation" from *Thais*, plus *Monotones* and the *Sylvia pas de deux*; all this together with Ashton's two-act *The Two Pigeons* in which Stephen Jefferies (Wed) and Bruce Sansom (Thurs) both play the young artist for the first time.
Covent Garden (01-240 1066).

DANCE UMBRELLA: Mark Morris & Dancers perform again tonight at The Place; then (Mon-Fri) Second Stride has a new work by Siobhan Davies, *The School for Lovers, Danced*, which is based on Mozart's *Così fan tutte*, together with her *Silent Partners* from last year. Matthew Hawkins (Wed) and Belinda Neave (Thurs, Fri) give "Late Extra" solo shows.
The Place, 17 Dukes Road, London WC1 (01-387 0031).

HOT SHOE SHOW: Wayne Sleep's stage version of the television programme opens a three-week London season at the Palladium; special guest stars are promised.
Palladium (01-437 7373).

LONDON FESTIVAL BALLET: Today's programme at Manchester (matinée and evening) has the new productions of *La Bayadère* (staged by Makarova) and Paul Taylor's *Aureole*, together with Roland Petit's dramatic *L'Arlésienne*. The new production of *Coppelia* is to be seen at Newcastle all next week with several casts.
Manchester Palace (061 236 9922) today at 2.30 & 7.30pm. Newcastle, Theatre Royal (0632 322061).

SADLER'S WELLS ROYAL BALLET: Cranko's *Lady and the Fool* and *Card Game*, with David Bintley's *Meadow of Proverbs*, make up the bill at Canterbury today and Norwich next Fri, Sat; *Giselle* is the other programme at Norwich, Mon-Thurs.
Canterbury, Marlowe Theatre (0227 67246); Norwich, Theatre Royal (0603 628205).

LONDON CONTEMPORARY: Christopher Bannerman's new *Shadows in the Sun* is performed at Warwick tonight and Leeds next Thurs-Sat; the Leeds programme Tues, Wed, includes Jerome Robbins's *Moves*.
Warwick University Arts Centre (0203 417417); Leeds Grand Theatre (0532 459351).

JANET SMITH: Three new works, by Dan Wagoner, Janet Smith and Gill Clarke, performed by Smith's company at Cardiff, Thurs, Fri and Oct 26.
Cardiff, Shermann Theatre (0222 30451).

PHOTOGRAPHY

THE BODY ELECTRIC: Intriguing show of ballet photographs from the beginning of this century to the present day. Alexey Brodovitch, Baron de Meyer and Hoppe are among the many photographers represented. *The Times* is also featured with a picture of Anna Pavlova, one of the first theatrical action stage shots.
Portsmouth City Museum and Art Gallery, Museum Road, Portsmouth (0705 827261).

For ticket availability, performance and opening times, telephone the numbers listed.
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BOOKINGS

FIRST CHANCE

LONDON FILM FESTIVAL: Postal booking for British Film Institute members opened yesterday; public telephone booking begins Nov 8. The festival runs from Nov 14-Dec 1; highlights include Kurosawa's *Ran*, Peter Greenaway's *A Zed and Two Noughts*, the silent classics *Berlin* and *The Big Parade* (both with live music). (01-928 3232).

DIZZY GILLESPIE: Performance with the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra. Nov 1.
Royal Festival Hall, South Bank, London SE1 (01-928 3191).

SADLER'S WELLS ROYAL BALLET: London premieres of Susan Crow's first ballet for the company, set to David Diamond's *Round for String Orchestra*, plus Graham Lustig's ballet set to Walter Leigh's *Concertino for Harpsichord and Strings*. Dec 31-Jan 11. Postal booking now open. Personal and phone booking from Oct 28.
Sadler's Wells Theatre, Rosebery Avenue, London EC1 (01-278 8916).

LAST CHANCE

GUSTAV MAHLER – THE MAN AND THE MUSICIAN: Part of the "Mahler, Vienna and the 20th Century" festival, this series of documents includes facsimiles of manuscripts and annotated scores. Finishes tomorrow.
Barbican Centre, Silk Street, London EC2 (01-638 4141).

JUDY: Last night tonight of new musical about life of Hollywood star Judy Garland, by Terry Wale.
Bristol Old Vic, Theatre Royal, King Street, Bristol (0272 277466).





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